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Suspected 'revenge attack' stabber jailed for 14 years

# KNIFE MAN CONVICTED

By Charles Thomson

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A MAN was jailed on his birthday last week for stabbing a man in Westcliff, in what is thought to have been a botched 'revenge attack' after his brother was convicted of murder.

Tahmid Alam was convicted on Friday, December 11 – his 19th birthday – of possessing a knife and inflicting grievous bodily harm with intent. He was handed a 14-year sentence.

Alam, of Roseville Road, Middlesex, along with an unknown accomplice, was accused of ramming a driver off the road, in June, 2015, then stabbing him in the chest through an open car window.

Jurors found him guilty after a two-day trial at Basildon Crown Court last week.

The court heard the victim – who the Y4 has chosen not to name – was driving in Westcliff on June 16, when he was flagged down by two friends.

He testified via video link on

Wednesday, December 9: "When they got in the car they seemed uneasy. Then they saw something or someone that made them panicky. They said, "Can you get us out of here?"

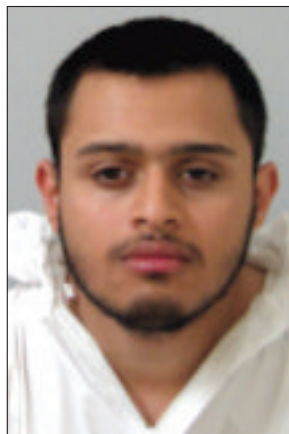
"As we turned from Victoria Avenue into West Road, I saw a car coming up behind us. They pulled alongside me and I assumed they were going to come past. Before I could turn left, they side-swiped my car."

The victim testified that a black man exited from the driver's side of the car and an Asian man – who he later identified as Tahmid Alam from a virtual line-up of nine men – exited from the passenger side.

He told jurors that in order to fight off what he thought were punches through his window, he turned towards the window to defend himself with his arms, giving him a direct view of his attacker's face.

After the men ran back to their car, the victim drove off without realising he had been stabbed.

He testified: "Just after we drove



**CONVICTED: Tahmid Alam was sentenced to 14 years last week for GBH with intent**

off, I notice my shirt was sticking to me. I put my hand on my chest and noticed there was blood coming from my chest."

The court heard the incident was

captured on CCTV at around 5pm but the victim did not report the attack until almost midnight.

He testified that, realising the wound was 'not life-threatening', he had gone with his two friends to a house in Southend.

Once there, he said the men told him the stabbing was a revenge attack, connected to a recent trial over the death of Hassan Mohammed, 24, in Southend.

Mr Mohammed, from Camberwell, was stabbed twice in York Road on July 7, 2014, and died the following day in Southend Hospital.

Tahmid Alam was among five people who were acquitted in the murder trial at Chelmsford Crown Court, but his older brother Tajwar, then 19, was convicted on May 28.

The victim testified that he believed one of the two friends in his car had been connected to the trial. The two men told him they believed the attacker was Tahmid Alam.

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# New pelican crossing finally gets approval

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● **COURAGEOUS** crews from Southend's RNLI team braved gale force winds and rough seas to rescue two kite surfers in serious trouble. The thrill-seekers were kite surfing off East Beach, Shoeburyness. RNLI bosses said despite the dangerous conditions, their crew "made best speed" to bring the thrill-seekers safely back to shore. One of the kite boards had drifted into the MOD's restricted area in Shoeburyness and was not salvageable. Lifeboat bosses said kite surfing can be an extremely dangerous sport. Two years ago, a strong gust of wind smashed a kite surfer into the seawall in Chalkwell. The accident left him with five broken ribs, tore his stomach and ruptured the largest artery in the body – the aorta. Despite being unconscious for two-and-a-half weeks, determined Mark Warren from Southend resumed kite surfing last year. The Maritime and Coastguards agency urged water sport fans to keep a close eye on dangerous waves. A spokesman said: "The sea is unpredictable, and what looks like fun could end in tragedy. "Choppy water can sap your strength and make you too tired to swim."

● **BEWARE** of the perils of an under-cooked turkey – that's the message from Southend health chiefs. Lorna Salmon, manager at St Luke's Health Centre, Pantile Avenue, Southend, said the most common cause of illness at Christmas is due to turkey. She told the Y4: "Handled and cooked incorrectly, it can give very nasty food poisoning. "The Food Standards Agency warns against washing a turkey before it is cooked because it spreads germs." The Food Standards Agency said that washing a raw turkey is disastrous because harmful bacteria splashes from raw meat and poultry onto worktops, chopping boards, dishes and utensils.

## EXCLUSIVE

By Suzi Muston

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JUBILANT Shoebury councillor Mike Assenheim has been given the green light for a crossing to get pedestrians safely across a busy road. Councillor Assenheim has been campaigning for years for a crossing on North Shoebury Road.

However, due to budgetary constraints, he said the local authority was unable to fund the project.

Determined Independent Cllr Assenheim tracked down an organisation called the Safer Roads Initiative and spoke to their chief executive about his concerns.

Thrilled Cllr Assenheim called the Y4 on Friday to share the good news that a pelican crossing will be funded by the Safer Roads Initiative organisation.

He said: "I am absolutely delighted with this news."

"I have been in contact with

Michael Woodford who runs the Safer Roads Foundation.

"He emailed me this week to let me know the organisation will fund the £45,000 needed while he was on holiday in Thailand."

Mr Woodford said: "I was so impressed with councillor Assenheim's campaign and felt it deserved our backing."

Councillor Assenheim began his campaign in earnest after witnessing how scores of youngsters almost lost their lives crossing the road.

He added: "The youngsters cross the road to get food at the supermarket opposite their school."

"Last week, I saw a young boy who narrowly escaped with his life; a lorry was just inches away from hitting him."

"The problem with the road is a hump back bridge which hides any oncoming vehicles from pedestrians wanting to cross that road."

"The crossing will be a pelican signalled one, not just a zebra crossing."

"Sometimes drivers don't stop at



DELIGHTED: Councillor Mike Assenheim

Photo by Mark Cleveland

zebra crossings, and with the poor visibility of this road and due to the fact that it is a fast road, we had to opt for signals."

Road safety experts Safer Motoring said pelican crossings were the safest

way to cross any busy road.

A spokesman said: "Pedestrian crossings can be dangerous for those trying to cross the road."

"In built-up areas, 20 per cent of road accidents are near these crossings."



AUDACIOUS: Wood's luxury lifestyle has come to an end

## Law gives hotel fraudster his final bill

A SOUTHEND man has been jailed after taking luxury hotel breaks and billing an airline.

Alexander Christopher Wood, 34, of Clifftown Parade, was given a three-and-a-half year prison sentence at Southwark Crown Court on Wednesday, December 9.

Wood had previously pleaded guilty at Southwark Crown Court to 11 counts of fraud by false representation.

The court heard how Wood had made reservations for himself at Edwardian Group Hotels on ten occasions between June 18 and July 11 under the false name of 'Mr

Palmer' and on one occasion claimed to be the Duke of Marlborough.

The bookings were made using different email addresses that claimed to be making reservations for a British Airways employee, and instructed the hotel to invoice the cost of the reservation to the airline.

The 11 frauds totalled more than £8,000.

Wood admitted he had attended the hotels and made use of accommodation and amenities, saying he targeted those particular high-profile hotels because he knew they could bear the cost of the financial loss.

Throughout the month of reservations, Wood stayed at the Grange Wellington Hotel, The Mayfair Hotel, The Raddison Blu, both at Canary Wharf and at Cromwell Road.

His stay at the Mayfair Hotel between June 18 and June 25 incurred a bill of £2,399.50. On checking out, Wood claimed that his bill should be sent to British Airways.

Investigating officer, Detective Constable Keeley Pemberton from Westminster CID said: "This was an audacious string of offences, the regularity of which played a part in bringing his crimes to notice."

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# Arts council backing photographer Chris



**MOTIVATED:** Chris Turle hosting photographic exhibition.

Photo Mark Cleveland

A CHARITY shop worker is to host a photographic exhibition.

Chris Turle, 31, has volunteered at the Shared Space charity shop in Westcliff for five years.

The shop ploughs all its profits back into the community to help provide education and training for the 50 volunteers who work at the London Road shop. Proud manager Peter Dominey said: "This is a great step for Chris, he expressed an interest in photography several years ago. We helped him enter a photographic competition held by the Benfleet

Photographic Society last year and he won, hands down.

"This gave Chris the confidence to host his own exhibition. Our slogan is 'the charity that transforms lives, and to see Chris do this has proved we are doing just this."

Shared Space charity shop, specialists in clothes, electricals, memorabilia and a range of other goods. Chris added: "Profits are ploughed back into the training of volunteers and projects serving the people of Southend, particularly the poorest in the town."

The Arts Council of England said it was delighted Chris had been given the chance to exhibit his work, especially as Chris is deaf and mute. Arts Council boss Peter Hewitt said: "Diversity is one of the values at the heart of Arts Council England's work. We recognise the achievements of those who have struggled over the years." You will be able to see Chris's exhibition from Monday for two weeks at 453 London Road, Westcliff, during normal shop opening hours.

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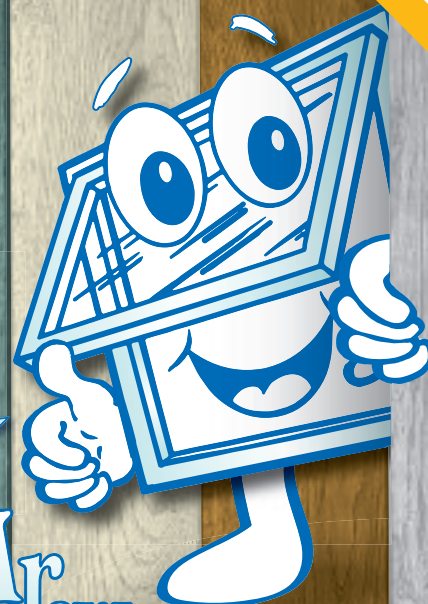
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## 'Revenge attack' stabber convicted

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The victim said he asked the men if they would speak to the police about his stabbing but they refused, so he went to Westcliff Police Station, where police called paramedics who transferred him to Southend Hospital.

The next day, Met Police officers in Tower Hamlets stopped the car involved in the stabbing. They found Tahmid Alam with a foot-long knife in the front passenger side.

However, Her Honour Judge Leigh, presiding over the trial, banned jurors from hearing about the knife because there was no evidence it was involved in the stabbing.

The next day – two days after the attack – the victim picked Alam out in an identification parade.

Judge Leigh allowed jurors to hear about two prior knife offences – a 2012 robbery in which Alam threatened the victim with a blade, and an occasion in 2013 when he was caught carrying a lock knife.

But she barred jurors from hearing about a 2011 robbery, committed with his brother Tajwar, in which the pair threatened a youth with a knife and stole his mobile phone.

Defence barrister Christian Wasunna suggested the victim had seen Tajwar Alam's picture online – made public after his murder conviction – and picked out somebody who could be his brother.

The victim told jurors: "That would make no difference to me. I picked out the person who looked like the person who had attacked me."

Jurors believed the victim and convicted Alam after one hour's deliberations.

Judge Leigh gave Alam a 14-year 'extended sentence'. He will serve 10 years in custody and four more on licence.



POP UP: Meet the artists on Dec 17  
photo by Mark Cleveland

## Art gets real at fringe exhibition

SOUTHEND'S creative group Estuary Fringe is hosting a two-week winter exhibition, called Kiss Me Quick.

The organisation, created to take art back from 'the pretentious elite', has on board a host of artists, film-makers, musicians, photographers, performers and poets.

Estuary artist Becky Walker told the YA: "We are on the ground floor in two units on Chichester Road, near the ground floor entrance to Wilkos."

The exhibition, taking place at Victoria Shopping Centre, Chartwell Square, started on Monday, and there is a chance to meet the artists on Thursday December 17 from 6pm to 9pm. It is held in two units, one focusing on photography, another on art.

Estuary boss Mark Sharp said: "This is an open-entry exhibition, featuring diverse range of art and photography from more than 18 professional, amateur and student artists/photographers alike."

"We will be showing of a selection of pieces in a new body of work by Niki Cornish."

"There will be an exhibition of work by Peter Bolton, previously only seen in his recent publication. And there will be paintings by a local artist who is registered blind, which will be among the last she'll be able to create by sight."

The creative director of Estuary Fringe said: "The fringe is about anarchic fun without the guilt."

For more information, contact Mark Sharp at [estuaryfringe@hotmail.com](mailto:estuaryfringe@hotmail.com)

# Local author signs deal

EXCLUSIVE

By Charles Thomson

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AN AUTHOR from Southend has signed a three-book deal with a major publisher.

Syd Moore – author of bestsellers *Witch Hunt* and *The Drowning Pool* – will write a trilogy of supernatural-themed mysteries for OneWorld, which published this year's Booker Prize-winner, *A Brief History of Seven Killings*, by Marlon James.

Mrs Moore, a former South Essex College lecturer who now works for Southend arts group Metal, has been signed up as part of the publisher's bid to create a 'literary crime list',

dubbed Point Blank.

Editor Jenny Parrott, who signed Mrs Moore to OneWorld, said she was 'thrilled and excited' by the publishing deal.

Mrs Moore – who hosted Channel 4's late-night book show *Pulp* in the late 90s and early 00s – will continue her tradition of writing about Essex characters and locations.

The trilogy, known as the *Strange Mysteries*, will see central character Rosie Strange inherit the Essex Witch Museum and investigate local lore with friend Sam Stone.

Ms Parrott said: "Syd will use real-life witching mysteries from yesterday as the catalyst for Rosie and Sam's modern-day investigations, and there will be lots of thrills and spills along the way."



TRILOGY: Author Syd Moore will unearth real-life witching mysteries

Mrs Moore said the first book, *Strange Magic*, would see the pair 'in hot pursuit of the mortal remains of a 17th Century Essex witch'.

It is due to be published in February 2017. The following books will be named *Strange Tricks* and *Strange Fear*.

Mrs Moore said: "A lot of my fans know I'm committed to challenging the stereotypes surrounding both Essex and the witches who were killed in the county's dark past."

"To have the opportunity to continue this with OneWorld, in a way which will combine humour and mystery, light and dark, is brilliant."

Ms Parrott said: "I'm convinced readers who love Syd's writing will find much to applaud, and we can also introduce her to a new market."

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● **POLICE** chiefs have vowed to do more to tackle Essex child abuse following a scathing HMIC report.

Essex Police chief constable Stephen Kavanagh announced on Tuesday December 15 that more than 600 officers will undertake intensive public protection training by March 2016. He added that all front-line officers will be trained "as soon as possible".

Responding to the shock inspection report on child abuse, he called on vulnerable people and those abused to come forward.

He said: "I give the people of Essex my commitment we will not rest until we have improved our culture as a force and the processes by which we work."

● **DECADES** of "complacent" policing has contributed to failures in tackling child abuse in Essex.

Police chief Stephen Kavanagh and Crime Commissioner Nick Alston pointed the finger at their predecessors for failures to tackle domestic violence and abuse.

Mr Kavanagh said: "It will take time to fix what policing nationally has failed across the decades, but the work we need to do to fix these issues is already underway."

# Essex kids not safe from sexual abuse

ESSEX Police has been rated as "inadequate" in protecting children from sexual exploitation.

HMIC inspectors described "significant weaknesses" in Essex Police's response to missing and absent children and its preparedness to tackle child sexual abuse.

The report, released on Tuesday December 15, blames poor training and supervision within the force.

It reads: "There is a lack of understanding amongst many frontline staff about how to identify, respond to and safeguard vulnerable victims."

"The force is struggling to provide an effective service to victims from the point at which they first contact the police. There are significant backlogs of incidents where police have not attended nor contacted the victim after their initial call. HMIC is especially concerned the backlog contains a high number of domestic abuse incidents."

"The force is working hard to reduce this backlog, but more needs to be done as the delays mean some victims receive a poor response from the outset, and the force is unable to offer them appropriate and tailored support."

Essex Police chief constable Stephen Kavanagh and Crime Commissioner Nick Alston both



**CONCERNED:** Essex Police chief constable Stephen Kavanagh, left, and Crime Commissioner Nick Alston

described the report as "disappointing" and of "concern".

They insisted that officer training was already underway to deal with the unresolved cases.

Mr Kavanagh described the finding as "profoundly disappointing" but offered a series of excuses for his force's failures.

He said: "These are the hardest crimes to deal with and they have required officers to develop a whole new range of skills."

"The journey to improve what we do takes time and there will be difficulties during that journey. The way we deal with domestic abuse

and protect vulnerable people in Essex has changed in the six months since we were inspected. And we recognise our cultures and processes must continue to change."

Mr Kavanagh described how officers were dealing with hundreds of calls a week from victims.

Nick Alston, Police and Crime Commissioner for Essex, said: "The force must ensure the structures and working practices provide the best possible protection for those at risk of domestic abuse, including any children in the household, and target and monitor abusive perpetrators effectively."

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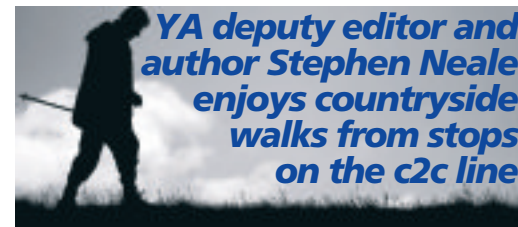
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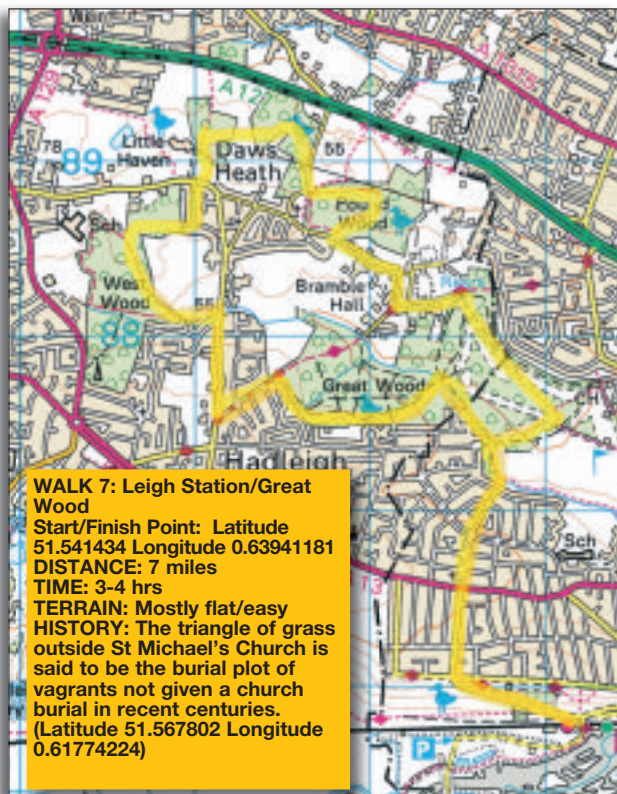
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## Walk around the 'leys'



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**TIME:** 3-4 hrs  
**TERRAIN:** Mostly flat/easy  
**HISTORY:** The triangle of grass outside St Michael's Church is said to be the burial plot of vagrants not given a church burial in recent centuries. (Latitude 51.567802 Longitude 0.61774224)

**A** WORK colleague said she was thinking of moving from Rayleigh to Leigh, but was reluctant because of the 'lack' of countryside.

Apart from cliffs and foreshore, she had a point. But there is a series of green plots wedged into north west Leigh; and, in winter, they are more peaceful than a wet alley after dark.

The path around Great, West, Pound, Starvelark, Wyburns and Tile woods can be accessed from Belfairs Park golf course, a 15-minute hike from Leigh Station. Trees form a 400-acre grove of oak, sweet chestnut, hornbeam and holly, circling Bramble Hall and Daws Heath Road. Once the haunt of druid ritual, the pagan silence is still deafening. At times I feel the need to check I'm not lost. The lonely walker unwittingly disturbs the quiet by spooking flocks of wood pigeon in the canopy. The birds burst into the air, beating their frightened wings louder

than firecrackers, catching me out every time.

The wooded areas were defined in pre-Saxon times by homesteads created in the tree 'clearings', known as 'leighs', 'lees' or 'leys'.

Clearance gave its name to the surrounding Rayleigh, Hadleigh, Hock-ley, Thunders-ley, etc. These plots and their grassy pastures were used as common land strips running from the Thames, northwards. There agricultural and mystical worth was associated with the magical Prittle Brook, until the Norman invaders claimed the land as their own in 1066. In later centuries, the woods became associated with two industries: charcoal and smuggling (from Old Leigh). The charcoal has long gone. The police helicopter still buzzes overhead late into the urban night.

● *Stephen Neale is an award winning, outdoor writer, and author of Wild Camping, published by Bloomsbury.*



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As a boy, in 1898, Munnings visited Flatford on the Essex/ Suffolk border with his father. Looking back to those days he wrote, "We found it beautiful, unspoilt, as in the days of Constable. The mill was working - no curiosity for sight-seers then. There were locks, barges, towpaths and horses. No bottles or food wrappers littering the meadows. No sound of car or char-a-banc [horse-drawn carriage or early motor coach]. Only the sound of the mill, the ducks in the stream and the breeze in the trees."

As an adult, Munnings followed in the footsteps of his artistic inspiration, John Constable, and bought the 'house of his dreams' - Castle House in Dedham - where he lived and worked for more than 40 years. His desire to make his paintings accessible after his death in 1959 resulted in Lady Munnings opening Castle House to the public in 1961.

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SHOW HOME: The 650 works  
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working artist from his surviving studio in the grounds; and learn more about the man from the original furniture, photographs and personal items, all of which are still in place in Castle House. One undoubted highlight being Lady Munnings' stuffed Pekinese dog 'Black Knight' in a glass case!

Incidentally, Munnings was also one of the fundraisers for Gainsborough's House in nearby Sudbury - now a museum dedicated to the leading British painter also inspired by the landscape of the Essex / Suffolk border.

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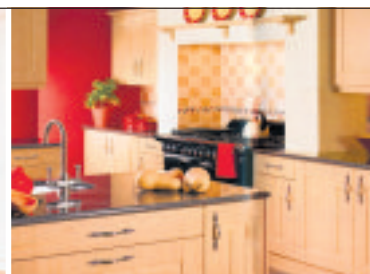


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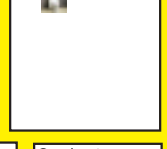
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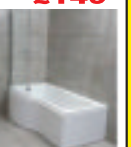
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## Blueprint for future of the Blues

ATTENTION all Blues supporters  
The leader of the council, Ron Woodley, recently placed an article in the Oracle; a publication that is primarily circulated to residents in Shoebury & Thorpe Bay.

The proposals being advanced with British Land are the best opportunity yet for the Club to build a new stadium. Roots Hall is no longer "fit for purpose" in the modern, financially driven, world of Football.

Without a new stadium the club will always be in the lower leagues requiring major financial investment, year on year, in order to compete.

My ambition is for Southend United Football Club to fulfil its potential... this cannot be achieved at Roots Hall.

Southend has a population of some 173,000 - Rochford and Castle Point, together 238,000 and with circa 650,000 within a 30 minute drive time.

With no immediate competition on our doorstep the opportunity to grow is clear for all to see. Phil Brown has committed to the club as he too recognises what the club can achieve.

This is our time to put Southend United on the football map. Now is a key moment in the future of Southend United and I am asking all Blues supporters to respond to the leader of the council by providing their views.

The benefits can be summarised under the following headings

- Roots Hall, built in 1955, is 'no longer fit for purpose'.
- The Club needs new modern facilities to survive and thrive.
- To attract top management and players the Club has to have equivalent facilities.

- A new Stadium will put Southend on the Football Map.
- The economic and employment benefits the Town will receive from the investment are very considerable.
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Nothing succeeds like success...give the Blues a chance.

This can be done by emailing: info@oraclepublications.co.uk

I thank you for your taking the time to engage with this request from The leader of the council and for our part the club will keep all supporters advised of progress including when the planning application will be considered by members of the council.

Ron Martin Southend United Chairman

## Council public gallery not so public

WHEN is public not for the public? When attendance at the Castle Point Borough Council's public gallery at the council offices is by invitation only.

It seems that access to the public gallery on Wednesday December 9 for the DNLP debate at the council meeting was by 'invitation only'.

No doubt seemingly one has to be in

the know, mix in the right circles and be considered important enough to get an invitation, which was checked on the door to gain access prior to viewing the proceedings.

Surely not in the spirit of things when people such as land owners who have vested interests, ECC councillors, Basildon council employees and officers, ex council employees, council officers never seen at council meetings, along with a random mix of resident groups are given priority over the borough's residents.

How can the majority of those invited be given precedence over castle point council tax payers? Many of the hundreds of residents who turned up on Wednesday were made to feel second best, many of whom have been actively involved in this saga for many years.

Who gets to make a decision like this and who makes up the list?

Residents are not stupid, although some people might like to think they are. Everybody knows who pulls the strings and what their agenda is.

If it is the intention to make access to the gallery by invitation only for future council meetings it may be good manners to advise residents beforehand. This would save them travel time, money and they can watch proceedings at home on the webcast rather than be herded around like sheep.

Mr T J Smith  
South Benfleet

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# Christmas Day TV



## Downton Abbey – The Finale, ITV, 8.45pm

Julian Fellowes bids farewell to the Crawleys with one last festive special, catching up with the Abbey's residents at the tail-end of 1925. Mary tries to build bridges, but Edith's secret continues to pose a threat. As Henry settles into the role of husband, scars left by Charlie's death are slow to heal, while Carson struggles to come to terms with developments that prove even he is not invulnerable to change. Spratt's moonlighting venture is threatened by the conniving of Denker, and Daisy may have missed her chance with an admirer.

## Mrs Brown's Boys Christmas Special, BBC1, 9.45pm

The dotting mother-of-six is determined to have a safe and peaceful Christmas at home this year. However, with Mark and Betty arguing about the reappearance of his first love Bubbles, carol singers haunting her every waking hour and Buster installing a Christmas tree with a very unusual safety feature, how will she manage to survive? The first of two festive editions of the comedy, written by and starring Brendan O'Carroll, with guest star Noddy Holder.

### BBC1

6.00 Breakfast 9.00 Shrek the Halls 9.20 Clangers 9.35 Danger Mouse: The Snowman Corneth  
10.00 Christmas Day Service Live from Bath Abbey 11.00 **FILM: The Santa Clause 3: The Escape Clause** (2006) Christmas fantasy comedy sequel, starring Tim Allen.  
12.25 **FILM: Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted** (2012) Animated comedy, with the voice of Ben Stiller. 1.50 BBC News; Weather 2.00 Top of the Pops Christmas 3.00 The Queen's Christmas Broadcast 2015 3.10 **FILM: Brave** (2012) Premiere. Animated fantasy, with the voice of Kelly Macdonald. 4.35 BBC News; Weather 4.45 Stick Man 5.15 Doctor Who  
6.15 **Strictly Come Dancing Christmas Special 2015** Six previous contestants compete for the Silver Star trophy.  
7.30 **Call the Midwife** A BBC camera crew arrives as Poplar prepares to celebrate Christmas.  
8.45 **EastEnders** Ian's hopes of a perfect Christmas fall apart.  
9.45 **Mrs Brown's Boys Christmas Special** The dotting mother years for peace and quiet.  
10.25 **Michael McIntyre's Big Christmas Show** With Dara O Briain, Dame Edna Everage, Ellie Goulding and Tom Jones.  
11.25 BBC News; Weather  
11.40 **Love Came Down at Christmas**; National Lottery Update  
11.45 **Comedy Bloopers** Clips from the archives.  
12.15 Not Going Out 1.00 **FILM: Surviving Christmas** (2004) Comedy, starring Christina Applegate. 2.25 Weather for the Week Ahead 2.30 BBC News

### Satellite & Digital

**SKY1** 6.00 The Flash 8.00 Futurama 10.00 Soccer AM Xmas Special 12.00 Raiders, Raptors and Rebels: Behind the Magic of ILM 1.00 Star Wars: Greatest Moments 3.00 The Queen 3.10 Football's Funniest Moments 4.00 The Simpsons 4.30 Nintendo Family 6.30 The Simpsons 9.00 Stella: Christmas Special 10.30 A League of Their Own Christmas Party

### BBC2

6.00 **FILM: The Road to El Dorado** (2000) Animated adventure, with the voices of Kenneth Branagh and Kevin Kline.  
7.20 Galapagos – Islands of Change: Natural World 8.20 **FILM: Herbie Rides Again** (1974) Disney comedy sequel, starring Helen Hayes. 9.45 **FILM: The Cat in the Hat** (2003) Comedy fantasy, starring Mike Myers. 11.00 Carols from King's 12.15 Climbed Every Mountain – The Story Behind The Sound of Music 1.15 The Good Life 1.45 **FILM: Frankenweenie** (2012) Premiere. Animated fantasy, with the voice of Charlie Tahan. 3.05 Tim Rice – A Life in Song 4.35 **FILM: Romeo & Juliet** (2013) Premiere. Shakespeare's love story, with Douglas Booth and Hailee Steinfeld.  
6.20 **Sign Zone: The Queen's Christmas Broadcast 2015**  
6.30 **World's Sneakiest Animals** New series. Tactics and tricks that animals use to survive.  
7.30 **Dad's Army** Mainwaring organises a Christmas treat.  
8.00 **The Two Ronnies: Christmas Show** Festive comedy sketches, with guest Patrick Troughton.  
8.50 **Darcey's Ballet Heroes** Darcey Bussell considers the dancers who transformed male ballet.  
9.50 Q! With guests Jenny Eclair, Johnny Vegas and Bill Bailey.  
10.20 **We're Doomed!: The Dad's Army** Comedy drama about the making of Dad's Army.  
11.20 **FILM: Gambit** (2012) Comedy starring Colin Firth.  
12.40 **FILM: The Trouble with Harry** (1955) Black comedy, starring Edmund Gwenn and John Forsythe. 2.20 This Is BBC Two

### ITV

6.00 CITV 8.25 Weekend at Christmas 9.25 **FILM: Santa Claus: The Movie** (1985) Family fantasy adventure, starring Dudley Moore. 11.30 **FILM: Happy Feet** (2006) Animated adventure, with the voice of Elijah Wood. 1.35 Text Santa: One More Time 2.45 ITV Lunchtime News; Weather 3.00 The Queen 3.10 Cameraman to the Queen 4.10 Countrywise Winter Wonderland 5.00 Paul O'Grady: For the Love of Dogs at Christmas  
6.00 **ITV Evening News**; Weather 6.15 **You've Been Framed!** With Bells On Camcorder clips with a festive theme.  
6.45 **Emmerdale** Pollard finally leaves the house, and has an experience that forces him to confront his past, present and future. Coronation Street's Liz Dawn (Vera Duckworth) guest stars.  
7.45 **Coronation Street** Robert is about to propose to Tracy, but first he asks her a question that leaves her reeling. Meanwhile, Sinead is thrilled when she gets an engagement ring of her own.  
8.45 **Downton Abbey – The Finale** Mary endeavours to build bridges, but Edith's secret poses a threat as Julian Fellowes bids farewell to the Crawleys with one last festive special.  
10.45 **Our Cilla** A celebration of Cilla Black by the people who knew her best, including famous faces such as Ringo Starr, Cliff Richard and Paul O'Grady.  
11.45 **ITV News**; Weather  
12.00 **FILM: Dr No** (1962) James Bond spy thriller, starring Sean Connery. 1.50 Murder, She Wrote 2.45 The Jeremy Kyle Show USA 3.25 ITV Nightscreen

### Channel 4

6.45 Prep & Landing 7.05 Prep & Landing: Naughty v Nice 7.30 The Bear 8.00 **FILM: A Turtle's Tale: Sammy's Adventures** (2010) Animated adventure, with the voice of Dominic Cooper. 9.40 The Simpsons 11.15 Ice Age: A Mammoth Christmas 11.40 Toy Story Toons 12.10 Father Christmas 12.40 The Snowman 1.15 The Snowman and the Snowdog 1.45 **FILM: The Muppet Christmas Carol** (1992) Puppet comedy, starring Michael Caine. 3.25 Channel 4 News 3.35 Alternative Christmas Message 3.45 **FILM: Scrooged** (1988) Christmas comedy, starring Bill Murray. 5.45 **FILM: Home Alone 2: Lost in New York** (1992) Comedy sequel, starring Macaulay Culkin. 8.00 **Gogglesprogs** The nation's children share their opinions on the best and worst of 2015's TV, from the cakes on The Great British Bake off, to big new stories like the general election.  
9.00 **Alan Carr: Chatty Man Christmas Special** The host is joined by Catherine Tate's Nan, Keith Lemon, Lorraine Kelly, Emma Willis and Marvin Humes. Plus, music by Little Mix and One Direction. Last in the series.  
11.00 **8 Out of 10 Cats Christmas Special** A number of familiar faces join host Jimmy Carr and team captains Sean Lock and Jon Richardson as they look back at some of the more memorable stories of 2015.  
12.05 Very British Problems at Christmas 1.05 **FILM: Ferris Bueller's Day Off** (1986) Comedy, starring Matthew Broderick. 2.50 Friday Night Dinner 3.15 Gadget Man 4.10 Benchmark 4.55 Grand Designs Australia 5.50 Close

### Channel 5

6.00 Milkshake! 9.50 Andre Rieu's Christmas Spectacular 10.50 **FILM: Scrooged** (1970) A miserly man is taught the error of his ways by a host of spectral visitors. Musical adaptation of Charles Dickens' A Christmas Carol, starring Albert Finney and Alec Guinness. 1.05 **FILM: Seven Brides for Seven Brothers** (1954) Musical Western, starring Howard Keel. 3.10 **FILM: The Wizard of Oz** (1939) Musical fantasy, starring Judy Garland. 5.10 Michael Buble's Christmas 2015  
6.05 **Britain's Favourite Christmas Songs** A countdown of songs guaranteed to make any Christmas party go with a swing, including classics by the Jackson 5, Jona Lewie, Band Aid, the Pogues and Kirsty MacColl, and Slade.  
8.50 **Chas & Dave's Xmas Knees Up!** Festive entertainment from 1982, with guests including Eric Clapton, Jimmy Cricket, Jim Davidson, Albert Lee and Lennie Peters.  
9.40 **Britain's Favourite Abba Songs** A countdown of the Swedish pop group's 20 most popular songs, with celebrity fans including Jane McDonald and Liz McClarnon introducing their favourite clips.  
11.05 **Sinatra 100: An All-Star Grammy Concert** Celebration of the 100th anniversary of the singer's birth, featuring performances of some of his best-known songs by Tony Bennett, Garth Brooks, Usher and Alicia Keys.  
1.25 Abba: Live in Concert 2.35 SuperCasino 4.00 Christmas with Britain's Biggest Family 4.45 House Doctor

### Movie Choices

**THE MATRIX** (1999) A computer hacker discovers the world around him is nothing more than a virtual-reality fantasy created by malevolent living machines. Entering the devastated real world, he joins freedom fighters risking their lives to bring the truth out into the open and liberate the human race. Sci-fi action thriller, starring Keanu Reeves, Laurence Fishburne, Carrie-Anne Moss and Hugo Weaving.  
**Sky Movies Action & Adventure** 8.00-10.20pm  
**STAR WARS: EPISODE IV – A NEW HOPE** (1977) Farm boy Luke Skywalker is thrust into an intergalactic battle between good and evil while trying to rescue a spirited princess from the clutches of the evil Darth Vader. En route, he is helped by a cocky space pilot, a veteran warrior, two bickering robots and a hairy 8ft alien. Sci-fi adventure directed by George Lucas, with Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher, Alec Guinness and Peter Cushing. **Sky Movies Star Wars** 8.00-10.10pm  
**STAR WARS: EPISODE V – THE EMPIRE STRIKES BACK** (1980) The rebels are scattered across the galaxy after the Empire launches a devastating attack on their secret base. Luke Skywalker searches out a Jedi master to complete his training, while Han Solo and Princess Leia are relentlessly pursued by Darth Vader's space fleet. Sci-fi adventure sequel, with Harrison Ford, Mark Hamill, Carrie Fisher, Billy Dee Williams, Alec Guinness and David Prowse. **Sky Movies Star Wars** 10.10pm-12.20am

Special 11.15 Mr Bean 12.25 Emmerdale 1.25 Coronation Street 2.00 **FILM: The Polar Express** (2004) 3.55 **FILM: ET: The Extra-Terrestrial** (1982) 6.15 **FILM: The Lost World: Jurassic Park** (1997) 8.45 **FILM: Quantum of Solace** (2008) 10.55 **FILM: The Bourne Supremacy** (2004) 1.05 **Celebrity Juice: Bestest Bits** 2.00 **Release the Hounds: Famous and Freaked** 2.55 **Tricked: Top 30** 3.45 **Educating Joey Essex** 4.35 **Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records** 5.50 **ITV2 Nightscreen**

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### Dickensian, BBC1, 7pm

Every festive season, there are countless versions of A Christmas Carol on TV, but this new series is attempting to do something more ambitious with the world of Charles Dickens. The 20-part drama takes some of the writer's most memorable characters, from Scrooge to Great Expectations' Miss Havisham, and gets them rubbing shoulders in 19th-century London. The cast includes Stephen Rea, Pauline Collins, Caroline Quentin, and Tuppence Middleton, who wins the prize for the actor with the most Dickensian name.

### Peter & Wendy, ITV, 8pm

Lucy Rose, a 12-year-old girl with a serious heart condition, is admitted to Great Ormond Street Hospital to await treatment. On the night before her operation, Lucy reads JM Barrie's tale of Peter Pan to her fellow patients, and as she drifts off to sleep, her mind conjures up the magical world of Neverland. Stepping into the role of Wendy Darling, the youngster meets Peter, and joins him in battling Captain Hook. A re-imagining of Barrie's tale, starring Stanley Tucci, Laura Fraser, Hazel Doupe and Paloma Faith.

### BBC1

**6.00** Breakfast **10.00** Christmas Saturday Kitchen **11.30** James Martin – Home Comforts at Christmas **12.15** BBC News; Weather **12.25** Football Focus **1.00** Comic Relief 2015: Thanks a Billion! **2.00** Wallace & Gromit: A Grand Day Out **2.25** A Grand Night In: The Story of Aardman **3.25** **FILM: Puss in Boots** (2011) Animated comedy spin-off, with the voice of Antonio Banderas. **4.45** **FILM: The Croods** (2013) Premiere. Animated comedy, with the voice of Nicolas Cage. **6.10** **Shaun the Sheep: The Farmer's Llamas** Shaun invites three trouble-making llamas to take up residence on the farm. **6.40** **BBC News** **6.50** **BBC London News**; Weather **7.00** **Dickensian** New series. Period drama, weaving connections between Charles Dickens' various novels. **7.30** **EastEnders** Kat tells Martin that Alfie is still in Spain. **8.00** **Still Open All Hours** New series. Granville and Gastric try to get Madge in festive mood with a drinks party. **8.30** **Dickensian** Inspector Bucket begins his investigation into Jacob Marley's murder. **9.00** **And Then There Were None** New series. Period mystery, starring Anna Maxwell Martin. **10.00** **BBC News**; Weather **10.20** **The National Lottery Live** **10.30** **Match of the Day** Gary Lineker presents highlights of Chelsea v Watford; National Lottery Update **12.05** **FILM: The Guardian** (2006) Drama, starring Kevin Costner. **2.15** Weather for the Week Ahead **2.20** **BBC News**

### Satellite & Digital

**SKY1 6.00** The Flash **8.00** Treasure Island **10.00** Soccer AM **12.00** Futurama **2.00** Terry Pratchett's Hogfather **4.00** Star Wars: Greatest Moments **6.00** The Simpsons **9.00** Karl Pilkington: The Moaning of Life **10.00** **FILM: Bad Boys** (1995) Action thriller, starring Will Smith and Martin Lawrence. **12.20** Karl Pilkington: The Moaning of Life **1.20** Duck

### BBC2

**6.00** Race to Super Bowl **6.50** Flog It! **7.35** **FILM: Tom Thumb** (1958) Children's musical fantasy, starring Russ Tamblin. **9.05** **FILM: Hotel for Dogs** (2009) Family comedy, starring Emma Roberts. **10.35** Ten Pieces II **11.35** **FILM: G-Force** (2009) Adventure, starring Bill Nighy. **1.00** Attenborough's Big Birds: Natural World **2.00** Attenborough's Paradise Birds **3.00** **FILM: Bedtime Stories** (2008) Fantasy comedy, starring Adam Sandler. **4.30** Final Score **5.30** Don't Panic! The Dad's Army Story **6.20** **We're Doomed! The Dad's Army** Story Comedy drama about how Jimmy Perry and David Croft overcame BBC management scepticism and focus groups to get the sitcom Dad's Army on air. Starring Paul Ritter and Richard Dormer. **7.20** **Dad's Army** Captain Mainwaring's brother visits. **8.00** **Top Gear: From A to Z** Part one of two. Alphabetical highlights from the Clarkson, May and Hammond era. **9.00** **A Gert Lush Christmas** Comedian Russell Howard's debut comedy drama. **10.00** **Abz on the Christmas Farm** Former boyband singer Abz Love reflects on his year as a smallholder farmer. **10.30** **Backchat End of Year Show 2015** Jack Whitehall and his father Michael review the events of the past year. **11.15** **FILM: Kinky Boots** (2005) Comedy drama, starring Chiwetel Ejiofor. **1.00** **FILM: Marnie** (1964) Alfred Hitchcock's thriller, starring Sean Connery. **3.05** Sign Zone: Imagine – The Ecstasy of Wilko Johnson **4.40** This Is BBC Two

Quacks Don't Echo **2.20** Road Wars **4.10** The Flash **SKY ATLANTIC 6.00** Seinfeld **8.00** Micro Monsters with David Attenborough's **10.30** Making of David Attenborough's Kingdom of Plants **11.30** David Attenborough's Kingdom of Plants **2.30** The Making of David Attenborough's Natural History Museum Alive **3.30** David Attenborough's Natural History Museum Alive **5.00** David Attenborough's Conquest of the Skies **9.00** Game of Thrones **1.55**

### ITV

**6.00** CITV **9.25** Elf: Buddy's Musical Christmas **10.25** You've Been Framed! **10.55** **FILM: Back to the Future Part III** (1990) Sci-fi comedy sequel, starring Michael J Fox. **1.05** ITV News; Weather **1.20** **FILM: Jurassic Park** (1993) Genetically engineered dinosaurs escape from an eccentric tycoon's safari park and go on the rampage. Steven Spielberg's adventure, with Sam Neill, Laura Dern and Jeff Goldblum. **3.40** Midsomer Murders **5.40** ITV News; Weather **6.00** **The Nation's Favourite Disney Song** **7.00** **Surprise Surprise** Holly Willoughby delivers Christmas presents to members of the public, including an injured soldier preparing to row across the Atlantic and a young heart transplant survivor. **8.00** **Peter & Wendy** In a re-imagining of Peter Pan, a patient at Great Ormond Street Hospital dreams of the classic tale, stepping into Wendy's shoes to help Peter battle Captain Hook. **10.05** **The Jonathan Ross Show Christmas Special** The host presents a Boxing Day special in which he dispenses with his no-holds-barred questions, and instead invites guests to take part in light-hearted games. Last in the series. **11.10** **ITV News**; Weather **11.25** **FILM: From Russia with Love** (1963) James Bond is assigned to steal a top-secret Soviet decoding machine – but the mission is a trap set by crime syndicate Spectre. Spy thriller, with Sean Connery. **1.25** Jackpot247 **3.00** Murder, She Wrote **3.50** ITV Nightscreen

The Brink **3.30** Without a Trace **4.20** The British **BBC4 7.00** Doctor Who **8.00** **FILM: Toy Story 2** (1999) Animated sequel, with the voice of Tom Hanks. **9.30** Live at the Apollo **10.00** EastEnders **10.30** Russell Howard's Good News **11.00** Family Guy **1.30** Uncle 3.00 Don't Tell the Bride: Christmas in Wonderland **4.00** Close **BBC4 4.00** All Aboard! The Sleigh Ride **9.00** Natural World **9.50** Dancing Cranes of Sweden **10.00** Big Hits: TOTP 1964 to

# Boxing Day TV

### Channel 4

**6.15** **FILM: Ramona and Beesuz** (2010) Family comedy, starring Joey King. **8.00** The Morning Line **9.00** The Big Bang Theory **10.25** The Simpsons **11.25** **FILM: Fantastic Mr Fox** (2009) Stop-motion animated adventure, with the voice of George Clooney. **1.10** Channel 4 Racing **3.30** **FILM: Home Alone 3** (1997) An eight-year-old uses an arsenal of home-made booby traps to fend off a gang of crooks searching for a stolen microchip. Comedy sequel, starring Alex D. Linz. **5.25** Channel 4 News **5.35** The Secret Life of Children at Christmas **6.30** **Britain's Favourite Children's Books with David Walliams** The comedy actor counts down through a list of the nation's most beloved children's books, while other fans read extracts from the selected tales. **8.00** **Inside Lego at Christmas** Cameras return to the Lego factory ahead of Christmas to discover how staff prepare for the festive season, which accounts for more than half of the firm's annual sales. **9.00** **The Big Fat Quiz of the Year 2015** Rob Brydon, Sue Perkins, David Mitchell, Claudia Winkleman, Greg Davies and Jo Brand reveal whether they have their fingers on the pulse of modern life in the annual quiz. **11.05** **Rude Tube Christmas Cracker** Alex Zane presents 50 internet clips that have proved popular around the world, including an inventive Christmas tree decoration-remover. **12.10** Alan Carr: Chatty Man Christmas Special **2.05** Rude Tube **3.00** Hollyoaks **5.10** Location, Location

1975 **11.30** A Very British Map: The Ordnance Survey Story **12.30** John Denver: Country Boy **1.30** Natural World **2.20** Big Hits: TOTP 1964 to 1975 **3.50** Close **ITV2 6.00** Emmerdale **9.00** Coronation Street **11.55** **FILM: Space Jam** (1996) **1.40** **FILM: Happy Feet** (2006) **3.45** Emmerdale **4.50** Coronation Street **5.55** You've Been Framed! With Bells On **6.25** Minion Madness **6.40** **FILM: Despicable Me** (2010) Animated comedy, with the

### Channel 5

**6.00** Milkshake! **9.10** The Saturday Show **11.10** The Dog Rescuers at Christmas with Alan Davies **12.10** The Secret Life of Marilyn Monroe **3.15** **FILM: Diana** (2013) Premiere. Fact-based drama, starring Naomi Watts. **5.05** **FILM: One Chance** (2013) Premiere. Fact-based comedy drama about the rise to fame of opera singer Paul Potts following a successful appearance on Britain's Got Talent. With James Corden and Julie Walters. **7.05** **Christmas Makes You Laugh Out Loud** Iain Lee presents Christmas-themed videos that have taken the internet by storm in a seasonal special showcasing hilarious online clips with a festive twist. **8.05** **Chas & Dave's Xmas Knees Up!** Festive entertainment from 1982, which sees the Cockney duo joined by celebrity guests Eric Clapton, Jimmy Cricket, Lem Davidson, Albert Lee and Lennie Peters. **9.00** **Football League Tonight: Boxing Day Special** Kelly Cates and George Riley present extended highlights of the packed Boxing Day fixture list, including Hull City v Burnley and Derby County v Fulham. **10.30** **Most Shocking Christmas TV Moments** A merry romp through the most inappropriate, outrageous and appallingly atrocious Christmas television turkeys of all time, featuring contributions from some of those involved. **12.30** Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away! Christmas Special **1.25** SuperCasino **3.10** Kids' Hospital at Christmas: Revisited **4.00** Chris Tarrant on the Polar Express **4.50** Make It Big **5.45** Angels of Jarm

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# December 27 TV



**Harry Price: Ghost Hunter, ITV, 8.30pm**

Famous ghost hunter and sceptic Harry Price is called upon to investigate the haunting of a local MP's home. Politician Edward Goodwin cannot afford to have his reputation ruined, and his wife Grace's health and future rest upon the investigation. Harry teams up with the family maid Sarah Grey, and together they make a formidable partnership as they gather more evidence and unravel the mysteries behind the hauntings. Historical period drama, starring Rafe Spall, Cara Theobald and Richie Campbell.

## U2: Innocence and Experience Live in Paris, BBC2, 10pm

Some bands who were big in the 1980s really couldn't give their new albums away. Not U2 though – nearly 40 years after they first formed in Dublin, they remain one of the biggest acts in the world, which made it all the more surprising when in 2014, they decided to make their last album, Songs of Innocence, available free to iTunes users. The initial broadcast of this event, which was recorded in Paris in early November, was postponed following the terrorist attacks, but is well worth the wait.

### BBC1

**6.00 Breakfast 7.40 Match of the Day 9.15 FILM: Flushed Away** (2006) Animated comedy, featuring the voice of Hugh Jackman. **10.35 FILM: Megamind** (2010) Animated superhero comedy, with the voice of Will Ferrell. **12.00 Bargain Hunt** **1.00 BBC News; Weather 1.15 Songs of Praise 1.50 FILM: Mary Poppins** (1964) Disney musical fantasy, with Julie Andrews and Dick Van Dyke. **4.05 FILM: Oz the Great and Powerful** (2013) Premiere. Fantasy adventure, starring James Franco. **6.05 BBC News** **6.20 BBC London News; Weather** **6.30 Countryfile Compilation: The Farming Year** Adam Henson presents a look back at 2015's rural developments. With Weather for the Week Ahead. **7.30 Dickensian** Bucket sets off in pursuit of Bill Sikes. **8.00 Still Open All Hours** Mrs Featherstone makes romance in mind. **8.30 Dickensian** An unexpected guest attends the Havishams' New Year party. **9.00 And Then There Were None** The guests make plans as the death toll rises. **10.00 BBC News** **10.15 BBC London News; Weather** **10.25 Catherine Tate's Nan** The first of two specials featuring the foul-mouthed pensioner. **11.00 Miranda Hart – My What I Call Live Show** A performance from the comedian's nationwide tour. **12.00 FILM: Ghost Town** (2008) Comedy, starring Ricky Gervais. **1.35 Weather for the Week Ahead 1.40 BBC News**

### Satellite & Digital

**SKY1 6.00** Hour of Power **7.00** Are You Smarter Than a 10 Year Old? **8.00** Treasure Island **10.00** Wild Things **11.00** WWE: Raw **12.00** Modern Family **2.00** Terry Pratchett's Hogfather **4.00** The Simpsons **5.00** The Muppets **5.30** The Simpsons **6.00** Fungus the Bogeyman **7.30** The Simpsons **8.00** Football's Funniest Moments **9.00** Hawaii Five-O

### BBC2

**6.20 Big Dreams Small Spaces 7.20 Countryfile: Cornish Coastal Christmas 8.15 FILM: A Man for All Seasons** (1966) Oscar-winning historical drama, starring Paul Scofield. **10.15 Saturday Kitchen Best Bites 11.45 The Hairy Bikers and Lorraine Pascale: Cooking the Nation's Favourite Food 12.45 The Secret Life of Mary Poppins: A Culture Show Special 1.45 FILM: The Cockleshell Heroes** (1955) Fact-based Second World War drama, with Jose Ferrer. **3.20 FILM: The Heroes of Telemark** (1965) Second World War thriller, starring Kirk Douglas and Richard Harris. **5.25 Porridge 6.10 FILM: Deep Impact** (1998) A reporter investigating a presidential misdemeanour stumbles on evidence that a comet is on a collision course with Earth. Sci-fi drama, starring Robert Duvall and Tea Leoni. **8.00 Dragons' Den** The panel cast their eyes over another selection of business pitches, including a product designed to conceal grey hairs and a zombie boot camp. Presented by Evan Davis. **9.00 Gorilla Family and Me** Part two of two. Gordon Buchanan revisits the apes. **10.00 U2: Innocence and Experience Live in Paris** Footage from various performances by the rock band in the French capital. **12.15 FILM: Telstar: The Joe Meek Story** (2008) Biopic starring Con O'Neill. **2.10 Sign Zone: Countryfile: Cornish Coastal Christmas 3.05 Holby City 4.05 Cue the Queen: Celebrating the Christmas Speech 5.05 This Is BBC Two**

**10.00 NCIS: Los Angeles 11.00 The Force: Manchester 1.00 Live NFL 4.30 Road Wars 5.00 UK Border Force SKY ATLANTIC 6.00** Seinfeld **9.00** Micro Monsters with David Attenborough **9.30** David Attenborough's Natural History Museum Alive **11.00** Blue Bloods **4.00** Without a Trace **8.00** David Attenborough's Galapagos **9.00** Game of Thrones **12.45** The Affair **3.05** Without a Trace **4.05** The British **BBC3 7.00** First Flight **7.10** FILM: Wallace

### ITV

**6.00 CITV 8.25 Weekend at Christmas 9.25 Countrywise 9.55 Celebrity Squares 10.40 FILM: Superman** (1978) Comic-strip adventure, starring Christopher Reeve. **1.30** ITV News; Weather **1.45 FILM: Mr Magorium's Wonder Emporium** (2007) Fantasy comedy, starring Dustin Hoffman. **3.35** Midsummer Murders **5.30** ITV News London; Weather **5.45** ITV News; Weather **6.00 You've Been Framed! With Bells On** Camcorder clips with a festive theme. **6.30 Jekyll and Hyde** Robert goes into hiding in the country with Ravi and Olalla, but they are soon tracked down by a shapeshifting monster that disguises itself as Lily to deceive him. **7.30 Jekyll and Hyde** A revived Dance launches an attack on MIO to complete his mission and resurrect Lord Trash, while Robert discovers that one of his friends has deceived him. Last in the series. **8.30 Harry Price: Ghost Hunter** Famous ghost hunter and sceptic Harry Price teams up with maid Sarah Grey to investigate the haunting of an MP's home. Historical period drama, starring Rafe Spall. **10.30** ITV News; Weather **10.45 Through the Christmas Keyhole** Keith Lemon has a festive rummage through the homes of three celebrities. Last in the series. **11.45 Premiership Rugby Union** Highlights of the latest fixtures. **12.35** Jackpot247 **3.00** The Jeremy Kyle Show USA **3.40** ITV Nightscreen **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show

& Gromit in The Curse of the Were-Rabbit (2005) Oscar-winning animated adventure, with the voice of Peter Sallis. **8.30** FILM: Kung Fu Panda (2008) Animated comedy, with the voice of Jack Black. **9.50** Great Movie Mistakes III: Not in 3D **10.00** Family Guy **10.45** American Dad! **11.30** Family Guy **12.35** Russell Howard's Good News **1.05** Crims **4.00** Close **BBC4 7.00** Blood and Gold: The Making of Spain with Simon Sebag Montefiore

### Channel 4

**6.05 FILM: Flicka 2** (2010) Family drama, starring Tammin Sursok. **7.40 FILM: Paws** (1997) Family adventure, with the voice of Billy Connolly. **9.20** Sunday 50p **10.20** The Simpsons **1.10** Channel 4 Racing **3.35 FILM: Hugo** (2011) Family adventure, starring Asa Butterfield. **5.55** Channel 4 News **6.00** **Celebrity Fifteen to One Christmas Special** Adam Hills hosts a festive edition of the tit-for-tat general knowledge quiz, featuring celebrities competing to win a cash prize for charity. **7.00 Million Pound Motors** Documentary following a vintage car salesman as he attempts to purchase a valuable collection of rare vehicles, while his apprentice struggles to secure his first sale. **8.00 Walking the Himalayas** New series. Explorer Levison Wood attempts to walk the entire length of the Himalayas. Beginning in Afghanistan, he will push himself to the limit as he treks 1,700 miles. **9.00 Homeland** Time is running out in the conclusion of the fifth series of the thriller following a team of CIA agents battling terrorists. Claire Danes stars. Last in the series. **10.00 8 Out of 10 Cats Does Countdown Christmas Special** Johnny Vegas joins Sean Lock to take on Jon Richardson and Katherine Ryan. **11.00 FILM: The Inbetweeners 2** (2014) Comedy sequel, starring Simon Bird. **12.55** The Inbetweeners **2.50** **FILM: That Touch of Mink** (1962) Romantic comedy, starring Cary Grant. **4.30** Benchmark **5.15** Location, Location, Location

**8.00** Westminster Abbey **9.00** Gypsy: Live from the Savoy Theatre **11.20** Abba at the BBC **12.20** Agnetha: Abba & After **1.20** When Albums Ruled the World **2.50** Westminster Abbey **3.50** Close **ITV2 6.00** The Hot Desk: Alesha Dixon **6.10** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **6.30** Emmerdale **9.45** Coronation Street **12.50** Catchphrase **Celebrity Special 1.50** You've Been Framed: Top 100 Animals **2.50** FILM: Beethoven (1992) **4.35** FILM: The Lost World: Jurassic Park

### Channel 5

**6.00** Milkshake! **10.15** Football League Tonight: Boxing Day Special **11.45 FILM: Cromwell** (1970) The rise to power of the Puritan leader during the Civil War years, and his subsequent role as the country's Lord Protector. Historical drama, with Richard Harris and Alec Guinness. **2.25** **FILM: The Searchers** (1956) An American Civil War veteran searches for his niece, who has been abducted by a renegade Comanche tribe. John Ford's Western, with John Wayne, Natalie Wood and Jeffrey Hunter. **4.45** **FILM: Escape to Victory** (1981) Second World War adventure, starring Michael Caine. **7.00 World's Strongest Man 2015** Action from the opening heat of the competition in Malaysia. British hopes were resting on the broad shoulders of the likes of Eddie Hall and Mark Felix. **7.55 5 News Weekend** **8.00 On Benefits: Cashing in for Christmas** Christmas for people living on state welfare, including a woman struggling to buy gifts for her children and friends who rummage through shops' bins. **9.00 Most Shocking Celebrity Moments 2015** The biggest showbusiness stories and scandals of the year, including Bruce Jenner's transition to Caitlyn and the Top Gear bust-up involving Jeremy Clarkson. **11.55 The Last Hours of Robin Williams** Forensic pathologist Dr Richard Shepherd investigates the death of actor and comedian Robin Williams. **12.55** SuperCasino **3.10** A Primary School Nativity **4.00** House Doctor **4.25** Make It Big **5.45** Angels of Jarm

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**7.05** FILM: Uncle Buck (1989) Family comedy, starring John Candy. **9.00** FILM: Bridget Jones's Diary (2001) Romantic comedy, with Renee Zellweger. **11.00** FILM: Scary Movie V (2013) **12.45** Release the Hounds **1.45** Pampered Pooches: Hollywood **2.35** The Almost Impossible Gameshow **3.25** Animal Practice **3.50** The Cube Olympic Gold Medalists Special **4.40** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **5.30** ITV2 Nightscreen

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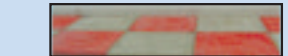
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## The Frank Sinatra Story, Channel 5, 9pm

Frank Sinatra was such an influential figure in the history of popular music, that one of his many nicknames was simply 'The Voice'. So, it's unsurprising that the centenary of his birth this month has been marked with a number of tributes, including his own day on Channel 5. As well as a reminding us of his Oscar-winning movie career with the films *Anchors Aweigh* and *High Society*, the channel is also bringing us this documentary, which looks at his remarkable career from a very British perspective.

## Gogglebox 2015, Channel 4, 9pm

A chance to see some of the best moments of the past year on Gogglebox, revisiting comments from armchair critics including Leon and June, Steph and Dom, Christopher and Stephen, and Sandy and Sandra. From Saturday night entertainment juggernauts to the week's big soap storylines, and from hard-hitting documentary series to gritty drama, the Gogglebox households deliver critiques of the week's popular and topical TV shows, sparking debates and giving the audience the chance to rewatch memorable moments.

## BBC1

**6.00** Breakfast **9.00** **FILM: Bee Movie** (2007) Animated comedy.  
**10.20** Old Jack's Boat Special: Storm in a Teacup **11.00** **FILM: Bolt** (2008) Animated adventure, with the voice of John Travolta.  
**12.30** Bargain Hunt **1.10** BBC News; Weather **1.25** BBC London News; Weather **1.30** Father Brown **2.20** **FILM: Cool Runnings** (1993) Fact-based sporting comedy, starring John Candy. **3.55** The Gruffalo **4.25** **FILM: Madagascar** (2005) Animated comedy, with the voice of Ben Stiller. **5.45** Pointless **6.30** BBC News; Weather **6.45** BBC London News; Weather **7.00** **Celebrity Mastermind** With Tom Kerridge, Steph Houghton, Rob Delaney and Dominic Wood. **7.30** Wallace & Gromit: **A Matter of Loaf and Death** The duo open their own bakery. **8.00** EastEnders Dean's drunken behaviour spirals out of control. **8.30** **Miranda** The shopkeeper makes a final attempt to find happiness. **9.05** **And Then There Were None** The surviving guests must turn to one another for protection. Last in the series. **10.05** BBC News **10.20** BBC London News; Weather **10.30** **Match of the Day** Gary Lineker presents highlights of the latest Premier League fixtures, including Manchester United v Chelsea at Old Trafford and Arsenal v Bournemouth at the Emirates Stadium. **12.00** Lewis Hamilton: Making History - F1 2015 Review **1.00** Weather for the Week Ahead **1.05** BBC News

## Satellite & Digital

**SKY1** **6.00** The Flash **8.00** Futurama **10.00** Modern Family **12.00** Futurama **12.30** Fungus the Bogeyman **2.00** Terry Pratchett's The Colour of Magic **4.00** The Simpsons **4.30** Modern Family **6.30** Fungus the Bogeyman **8.00** Big Cats: An Amazing Animal Family **9.00** **FILM: SWAT** (2003) Action thriller, starring Samuel L Jackson. **11.00** A League of Their Own

## BBC2

**6.15** Homes Under the Hammer **7.15** Escape to the Continent **7.45** Sign Zone: This Wild Life **8.45** **FILM: Ivanhoe** (1952) Medieval adventure, starring Robert Taylor. **10.30** The Hairy Bikers' Northern Exposure **11.30** The Great Pottery Throw Down **12.30** Les Dawson Talking Comedy **1.00** The Bear Family and Me **2.00** Coast 3.00 Atlantic: The Wildest Ocean on Earth **4.00** Flog It! **4.30** Final Score **5.30** The Clare Balding Show **6.00** **FILM: What Women Want** (2000) A womanising executive gets a new insight into life when he gains the ability to hear the thoughts of the opposite sex. Romantic comedy, with Mel Gibson and Helen Hunt. **8.00** **Christmas University** Challenge Teams made up of distinguished alumni of the universities of Aberdeen and Sheffield compete. **8.30** **Only Connect** The Bookworms in the last quarter-final. **9.00** **FILM: Behind the Candelabra** (2013) Premiere. Biopic of pianist Liberace, following his secret five-year relationship with a younger man. Starring Michael Douglas and Matt Damon. **10.50** **Two Doors Down** A Scottish couple face a chaotic time as they host a New Year's Eve party for their friends. One-off comedy, starring Arabella Weir, Alex Norton, Daniela Nardini and Doon Mackichan. **11.50** **Dragons' Den** Featuring a zombie boot camp. **12.50** Sign Zone: The Apprentice **2.50** Doctor Who **3.50** This Is BBC Two

**12.00** Strike Back: Legacy **2.00** The Last Ship **3.00** Road Wars **4.00** The Flash **5.00** **SKY ATLANTIC** **6.00** Seinfeld **9.00** Blue Bloods **3.00** Without a Trace **8.00** David Attenborough's Galapagos **9.00** Game of Thrones **12.40** Ballers **3.30** Blue Bloods **4.20** The British **5.10** Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets **6.30** **BBC3** **7.00** The Borrowers **8.30** **FILM: Kung Fu Panda 2** (2011) Animated comedy sequel, with the voice of Jack Black. **9.50** Great Movie Mistakes III: Not

## ITV

**6.00** CITY **9.25** Dickinson's Real Deal **10.30** Judge Rinder **11.30** Who's Doing the Dishes? **12.30** Catchphrase **1.15** ITV Lunchtime News; Weather **1.20** ITV News London; Weather **1.30** Our Cilla **2.30** Surprise Surprise **3.30** Midsomer Murders **5.30** Hedgehog Hotel **6.25** **ITV News London**; Weather **6.45** **ITV Evening News**; Weather **7.00** **Emmerdale** Zak tries to undo the damage he has caused, as Lisa comforts Belle and Cain warns Joanie to stay away from his family, while Aaron is questioned by the police. **7.30** **Coronation Street** Johnny receives an email that leaves him reeling. **8.00** **Countryside** Liz Bonnin takes part in the National Trust's biggest coastal wildlife survey. Last in the series. **8.30** **Coronation Street** Carla is stunned by a revelation from Johnny. **9.00** **John Bishop's Gorilla Adventure** The comedian leaves the relative comfort of the stage behind to observe mountain gorillas in the forests of Rwanda, and learns about the work necessary to protect the species. **10.00** **ITV News at Ten**; Weather **10.14** **ITV London Weather** **10.15** **FILM: The Holiday** (2006) Two single women from opposite sides of the Atlantic find love after they swap houses over Christmas. Romantic comedy, with Cameron Diaz, Kate Winslet, Jack Black and Jude Law. **12.45** Jackpot **2.47** **3.00** The Jeremy Kyle Show **3.55** **ITV Nightscreen** **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show

in 3D **10.00** EastEnders **10.30** Bad Education **11.00** American Dad! **11.45** Family Guy **12.30** Killer Magic **3.30** Bad Education **4.00** Close **BBC4** **7.00** Doctor Who **8.00** Royal Institution Christmas Lectures 2015 **9.00** Michael Palin's Quest for Artemisia **10.00** Sammy Davis Jr: The Kid in the Middle **11.00** **FILM: Papillon** (1973) Fact-based prison drama, starring Steve McQueen. **1.25** Prehistoric Autopsy **2.25** Michael Palin's Quest for Artemisia **3.25** Close

## Channel 4

**6.10** Small Animal Hospital **6.50** **FILM: See Spot Run** (2001) Comedy. **8.35** The Big Bang Theory **10.05** **FILM: Judy Moody and the Not Bummer Summer** (2011) Premiere. Comedy, starring Jordana Beatty. **11.50** The Simpsons **1.15** **FILM: Marmaduke** (2010) Comedy, starring Lee Pace. **2.55** **FILM: Stuart Little 2** (2002) Family adventure sequel, with the voice of Michael J Fox. **4.25** **FILM: Mirror Mirror** (2012) Fantasy, starring Lily Roberts. **6.30** **Channel 4 News** **6.35** **Hollyoaks** Peri is suspicious about her uncle's whereabouts. **7.05** **A Frozen Christmas** Documentary going behind the scenes of the luxury ice-sculpting business. **8.00** **The World's Most Expensive Food** The luxury food suppliers who cater to super-rich clients. **9.00** **Gogglebox 2015** Highlights of the past year on Gogglebox, revisiting comments from armchair critics including Leon and June, Steph and Dom, Christopher and Stephen, and Sandy and Sandra. **10.35** **Tattoo Fixers** New series. Return of the programme in which tattoo artists try to fix inked catastrophes, beginning with a man who wants to disguise the tattoo he got to win an argument. **11.40** **David Blaine: Real or Magic** The illusionist performs tricks for a host of celebrities. **12.50** **FILM: The Omen** (1976) Horror, starring Gregory Peck. **2.45** **FILM: The China Syndrome** (1979) Thriller, starring Michael Douglas and Jane Fonda. **4.45** Benchmark **5.35** Gadget Man

**ITV2** **6.00** The Hot Desk: Fleur East **6.10** **Emmerdale** **7.00** **Coronation Street** **8.00** Britain's Got More Talent: Alesha's Top Ten Moments **9.00** The Almost Impossible Gameshow **10.00** **FILM: Arthur** and the Great Adventure (2009) **12.10** **FILM: Beethoven's 2nd** (1993) **2.00** **FILM: The Flintstones** (1994) **3.45** The Nation's Favourite Disney Song **4.45** Catchphrase **5.45** **FILM: The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey** (2012) **9.00** **FILM: Casino Royale** (2006) James

## Channel 5

**6.00** Milkshake! **9.50** World's Strongest Man 2015 **10.50** **FILM: An American in Paris** (1951) Romantic musical. **1.00** **FILM: Anchors Aweigh** (1945) Musical, starring Frank Sinatra and Gene Kelly. **3.55** **FILM: High Society** (1956) Musical romantic comedy, with Bing Crosby and Grace Kelly. **6.00** **Loch Lomond: A Year in the Wild** The impact of the seasons on wildlife in the national park, beginning with spring. **6.55** **World's Strongest Man** 2015 Action from the second heat of the competition. **7.50** **5 News Tonight** **8.00** **Building the Ice Hotel** The work of builders constructing icehotel, a sophisticated structure built every year since 1990 in the village of Jukkasjärvi - more than 120 miles inside the Arctic Circle; 5 News Update **9.00** **The Frank Sinatra Story** Profile of the singer and actor, from a uniquely British perspective, charting his career across seven decades from young singer in Hoboken, New Jersey, to international stardom. **10.00** **Frank Sinatra Live in New York** A 1974 show at Madison Square Garden in which the singer performs classic songs. **11.00** **Frank Sinatra & Gene Kelly: Of Blue Eyes Is Back** A TV special from 1973. **11.35** **Happy Holidays with Frank Sinatra and Bing Crosby** Christmas special from 1957. **12.05** **Football League Tonight** **1.35** SuperCasino **3.10** The Dog Rescuers at Christmas with Alan Davies **4.00** **Michaela's Wild Challenge** **4.25** Divine Designs **4.50** House Doctor

**Bond** pursues a criminal responsible for financing terrorist organisations across the world. Spy thriller, starring Daniel Craig. **11.55** **Celebrity Juice: Bestest Bits** 2015 Part 1 **1.00** Release the Hounds: Famous and Freaked **2.00** Release the Hounds **2.50** Reality Bits **3.25** Animal Practice **3.50** The Almost Impossible Gameshow **4.40** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records: Bonkingly Big Hits **5.30** Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records **5.50** **ITV2** Nightscreen

## Movie Choices

**FOR A FEW DOLLARS MORE** (1965) An enigmatic gunslinger forms an uneasy alliance with a military veteran to track down a notorious outlaw - but tensions simmer as their very different motives for the hunt put them increasingly at odds. Sergio Leone's Western sequel, starring Clint Eastwood, Lee Van Cleef, Gian Maria Volonte, Josef Egger, Mara Krup and Klaus Kinski. **Sky Movies Select** 11.35am-1.50pm **STAR WARS: EPISODE IV - A NEW HOPE** (1977) Farm boy Luke Skywalker is thrust into an intergalactic battle between good and evil while trying to rescue a spirited princess from the clutches of the evil Darth Vader. En route, he is helped by a cocky space pilot, a veteran warrior, two bickering robots and a hairy 8ft alien. Sci-fi adventure directed by George Lucas, with Mark Hamill, Harrison Ford, Carrie Fisher, Alec Guinness and Peter Cushing. **Sky Movies Star Wars** 12.30-2.45pm **THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE UGLY** (1966) A laconic gunslinger, a ruthless hired killer and a conniving outlaw hunt for a cache of loot during the chaos of the American Civil War. However, each is privy to only part of the information necessary to find it, setting in motion a series of deadly betrayals. The third film in Sergio Leone's Spaghetti Western trilogy, starring Clint Eastwood as the Man with No Name, with Lee Van Cleef, Eli Wallach, Rada Rassimov, Mario Brega, Livio Lorenzon and Luigi Pistilli. With a soundtrack by Ennio Morricone. **Sky Movies Select** 1.50-4.50pm

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### A Life on Screen - Stephen Fry, BBC2, 9pm

In 2007, BBC4 broadcast a variety of programmes in tribute to Stephen Fry, to mark his 50th birthday. This included the documentary 50 Not Out, which charted his rise to fame in a variety of fields, and also featured Fry's celebrity friends and fans discussing his finer points. Now, eight years on, this programme seems to do pretty much the same thing. The aim is to give viewers a tour through Fry's career, via a selection of clips from his time in the Cambridge Footlights through his years in comedy, to his achievements on both the big and small screens.

### David Beckham: For the Love of the Game, BBC1, 9pm

David Beckham has played football all over the world. During his career, he played for clubs in England, the USA, Spain, Italy and France, and represented his nation in countries too numerous to mention. Now, two years after his retirement, he's back on the road again as he takes part in seven matches on seven different continents, visiting Papua New Guinea, Nepal, Buenos Aires, Djibouti, Antarctica and Miami.



### BBC1

**6.00** Breakfast **7.30** Match of the Day **9.00** **FILM: Shark Tale** (2004) Animated comedy, with the voice of Will Smith. **10.20** **FILM: Cars 2** (2011) Animated adventure sequel. **12.00** Bargain Hunt **1.00** BBC News; Weather **1.10** Father Brown **2.00** **FILM: National Treasure** (2004) Action adventure, starring Nicolas Cage. **4.00** The Gruffalo's Child **4.25** **FILM: Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa** (2008) Animated comedy sequel, with the voice of Ben Stiller. **5.45** Pointless **6.30** BBC News; Weather **6.45** BBC London News; Weather **7.00** **Celebrity Mastermind** With Vincent Franklin, Christian Malcolm, Chris Warburton and Graham Fellows. **7.30** **EastEnders** Shirley is left horrified when she finds Dean attacking Roxie. **8.00** **Holly City** Serena has resigned herself to another lonely New Year's Eve. **9.00** **David Beckham: For the Love of the Game** Documentary following the footballer's challenge of a lifetime. **10.15** BBC News **10.30** BBC London News; Weather; National Lottery Update **10.40** **Peter Kay's Car Share** Kayleigh has exciting news about the previous night's events. **11.10** Mrs Brown's Boys Agnes vows to make her boyfai play unforgettable. **11.40** **Boomers** The couples have an uncomfortable train journey. **12.10** Weather for the Week Ahead **12.15** BBC News



### BBC2

**6.15** Homes Under the Hammer **7.15** Escape to the Continent **7.45** Sign Zone: This Wild Life **8.15** An Island Parish: Falklands **8.45** **FILM: Show Boat** (1951) Musical romance. **10.30** The Hairy Bikers' Northern Exposure **11.30** The Great Pottery Throw Down **12.30** Peter Sellers' Talking Comedy **1.00** The Bear Family and Me **2.00** Coast 3.00 Atlantic: The Wildest Ocean on Earth **4.00** Flog It! **4.55** Super-Powered Owls: Natural Wonder **5.55** **FILM: Finding Neverland** (2004) Fact-based drama, starring Johnny Depp. **7.30** **Christmas University Challenge** The University of Durham v the London School of Economics. **8.00** **Gareth Malone's Great Choir Reunion** To mark the 10th anniversary of The Choir, Gareth Malone tracks down members from all the choirs who have participated in the series to bring them together for a reunion. **9.00** **A Life on Screen - Stephen Fry** Documentary in which Stephen Fry tells the story behind his success. **10.00** **QI** With guests Sarah Millican and Josh Widdicombe. **10.30** **FILM: Albert Nobbs** (2011) A woman living in disguise as a man in 19th-century Ireland decides to find a wife after a meeting with a fellow cross-dresser. Drama, with Glenn Close and Mia Wasikowska. **12.15** Race to Super Bowl 50 **1.05** Top Gear: From A-Z **2.05** Sign Zone: Harry Hill in Professor Branestawm Returns **3.05** Back in Time for Christmas **4.05** The Naked Choir with Gareth Malone **5.05** This Is BBC Two



### ITV

**6.00** CITY 7.00 Good Morning Britain **8.30** Lorraine **9.25** Dickinson's Real Deal **10.30** Who's Doing the Dishes? **11.30** Pick Me! **12.30** ITV Lunchtime News; Weather **12.45** **FILM: Evan Almighty** (2007) God recruits a politician to build an ark and save the world's animals from an impending cataclysm. Comedy sequel to Bruce Almighty, starring Steve Carell and Morgan Freeman. **2.30** Midsomer Murders **4.30** **FILM: The Queen** (2006) Fact-based drama about how the royal family and Tony Blair dealt with the aftermath of the death of Princess Diana. Starring an Oscar-winning Helen Mirren, with Michael Sheen. **6.30** **ITV News London**; Weather **6.45** **ITV Evening News**; Weather **7.00** **Emmerdale** Kerry is shocked to learn that Cain has threatened Joanie and takes matters into her own hands, while Lisa tries to resolve the crisis in her family. **7.30** **FILM: The Amazing Spider-Man** (2012) A gifted teenager gains superhero powers while investigating his dead parents' past. Comic-book adventure reboot, starring Andrew Garfield and Emma Stone. **10.10** **ITV News**; Weather **10.24** **ITV London Weather** **10.25** **FILM: American Pie** (1999) Four teenage boys make a pact to lose their virginity before the high-school prom, but cause huge embarrassment in the process. Comedy, starring Jason Biggs and Chris Klein. **12.05** Jackpot247 **3.00** The Jeremy Kyle Show **5.45** The Jeremy Kyle Show



### Channel 4

**6.05** Small Animal Hospital **6.45** **FILM: Dr Dolittle: Million Dollar Mutts** (2009) Comedy sequel, starring Kyla Pratt. **8.15** The Big Bang Theory **9.40** The Simpsons **10.40** **FILM: Captain Ron** (1992) Comedy adventure, starring Kurt Russell. **12.40** **FILM: New in Town** (2009) Romantic comedy, starring Reese Zellweger. **2.30** **FILM: Coraline** (2009) Stop-motion animated fantasy, with the voice of Dakota Fanning. **4.35** **FILM: Gulliver's Travels** (2010) Fantasy comedy, starring Jack Black. **6.10** **Channel 4 News** **6.30** **Hollyoaks** Lindsey stages a break-in at the Roscoes' house. **7.00** **Inside Lego at Christmas** Cameras return to the Lego factory ahead of Christmas to discover how staff prepare for the festive season, which accounts for more than half of the firm's annual sales. **8.00** **The Supervet at Christmas** Festive edition of the documentary. A sleigh-pulling Alaskan malamute needs both knees replacing with implants, but his owners are forced to make a difficult decision. **9.00** **8 Out of 10 Cats End of Year Special** Jimmy Carr, Jon Richardson and Sean Lock look at the funniest stories of 2015. **10.00** **The Big Fat Quiz of the Year 2015** Rob Brydon, Sue Perkins, David Mitchell, Claudia Winkleman, Greg Davies and Jo Brand reveal whether they have their fingers on the pulse of modern life in the annual quiz. **12.05** **FILM: Kingdom of Heaven** (2005) Historical epic, starring Orlando Bloom. **2.30** Peep Show **3.50** Gadget Man **4.15** Benchmark **5.05** Location, Location, Location



### Channel 5

**6.00** Milkshake! **9.05** World's Strongest Man 2015 **10.05** Football League Tonight **11.35** Ice Road Trukers **12.30** **FILM: Carry On Nurse** (1959) Comedy, starring Hattie Jacques. **2.15** **FILM: The Dam Busters** (1954) Fact-based Second World War drama, starring Michael Redgrave. **4.40** What the Dambusters Did Next **6.10** **Loch Lomond: A Year in the Wild** Summer developments at Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park. **7.00** **World's Strongest Man 2015** Action from the third heat of the competition in Malaysia. Reigning champion Zydrunas Savickas took part alongside two-time Britain's Strongest Man Laurence Shahlaei. **5** News Update **8.00** **Help! I'm Snowtrapped** Real-life stories of people who became trapped by snow, including a skier who was buried alive in Verbier, Switzerland, after triggering an avalanche. **5** News Update **9.00** **FILM: Flowers in the Attic** (2014) Premiere. A widow persuades her children to go into hiding, resulting in them suffering abuse at the hands of their grandmother. Drama, starring Heather Graham. **10.45** **FILM: Erin Brockovich** (2000) A single mother goes to work at a law firm and ends up taking on a company suspected of contaminating a small town's water supply. Fact-based drama, starring Julia Roberts. **1.15** SuperCasino **3.10** Can't Pay? We'll Take It Away! Christmas Special **4.00** Michaela's Wild Challenge **4.25** Divine Designs **4.45** House Doctor



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Daad! 12.05 Family Guy 12.50 Top Coppers 3.45 Sunny D 4.00 Close **BBC4** 7.00 Doctor Who 7.50 Doctor Who: The Ultimate Guide 8.00 Royal Institution Christmas Lectures 2015 9.00 Roy Orbison: One of the Lonely Ones 10.00 Roy Orbison & Friends: A Black and White Night 11.00 The Richest Songs in the World 12.30 Timeshift: Looking for the Bond: 007 at the BBC 1.30 Prehistoric Autopsy 2.30 Dinosaurs, Myths and Monsters 3.30 Close

**ITV2** 6.00 The Hot Desk: Nick Jonas 6.10 The Cube Celebrity Special: McFly 6.55 Emmerdale 7.25 Coronation Street 8.20 Britain's Got More Talent: Amanda's Top Ten Moments 9.25 The Almost Impossible Gameshow 10.25 **FILM: The Little Vampire** (2000) 12.20 Emmerdale 12.55 Coronation Street 1.55 Jeremy Kyle: DVA Bombshells 5.15 The Almost Impossible Gameshow 6.10 You've Been Framed: Top 100 Animals 7.15 **FILM: Liar Liar** (1997) Comedy, starring Jim Carrey.

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### Jools' Annual Hootenanny 2015, BBC2, 11.10pm

Jools Holland presents his 23rd annual Hootenanny, featuring a mixture of veteran artists and modern chart stars. Tom Jones performs some of his greatest hits, Jess Glynne tops off a great year with songs from her debut album, and Paul Weller steams into the studio on the back of a sold-out British tour to perform songs from his 12th solo album Saturns Pattern - and a treat or two from the Jam's back catalogue. Others appearing include Hozier, James Bay, Future Islands, Beth Hart, Jeff Beck, Pauline Black and Arthur 'Gaps' Hendrickson of the Selector, KT Tunstall, Rhiannon Giddens and - of course - Ruby Turner.

### Bryan Adams Rocks Big Ben Live, BBC1, 11.30pm

In what's fast becoming a tradition, Bryan Adams becomes the latest musician to perform on New Year's Eve in Central London, following in the footsteps of Gary Barlow, and Queen and Adam Lambert. The Canadian rocker blasts out his greatest hits to an excited capacity crowd, only pausing to take a break for the chimes of Big Ben.



### BBC1

**6.00** Breakfast **9.00** **FILM: Tinker Bell and the Secret of the Wings** (2012) Premiere. Disney animated adventure, with the voice of Mae Whitman. **10.05** CBeebies Alice in Wonderland **10.55** **FILM: The Adventures of Tintin: The Secret of the Unicorn** (2011) Animated adventure, with the voice of Jamie Bell. **12.30** Bargain Hunt **1.00** BBC News; Weather **1.10** BBC London News; Weather **1.20** Harry Hill in Professor Branestawm Returns **2.20** Wallace & Gromit: The Wrong Trousers **2.50** **FILM: Up** (2009) Animated adventure, with the voice of Ed Asner. **4.15** Stick Man **4.45** Take That on Tour **5.45** Pointless **6.30** BBC News; Weather **6.50** BBC London News; Weather **7.00** **Celebrity Mastermind** With Lisa Maxwell, Gary Delaney, Simon Greenall and Conor McNamara. **7.30** **Road Dahl's Esio Trot** Dustin Hoffman and Judi Dench star in this light-hearted drama. **9.00** BBC News; Weather **9.15** **FILM: Mrs Brown's Boys D'Movie** (2014) Premiere. Comedy, starring Brendan O'Carroll. **10.45** **The Graham Norton Show** With Jennifer Lawrence, Will Ferrell, Eddie Redmayne and Mark Wahlberg. **11.30** **Bryan Adams Rocks Big Ben Live** The Canadian rocker performs his greatest hits to bring in the new year. **12.00** New Year's Eve Fireworks **12.10** Bryan Adams Rocks Big Ben Live **12.45** Mrs Brown's Boys **1.15** Miranda Hart - My What I Call Live Show **2.15** Would I Lie to You? At Christmas **2.45** Weather for the Week Ahead **2.50** BBC News



### BBC2

**6.00** Homes Under the Hammer **7.00** Flog It! **7.45** Sign Zone: This Wild Life **8.15** Great British Menu **8.45** **FILM: Father of the Bride** (1950) Comedy, starring Spencer Tracy. **10.15** Natural World: A Bear with a Bounty **11.15** **FILM: Custer of the West** (1967) Historical biopic. **1.30** **FILM: Ice Station Zebra** (1968) Arctic adventure, starring Rock Hudson. **3.50** World's Sneakiest Animals **4.50** Christmas Shopping Fever 2015: John Lewis and the Retail Race **5.50** **FILM: The Odd Life of Timothy Green** (2012) Premiere. Fantasy, starring Jennifer Garner. **7.30** **Christmas University Challenge** Second semi-final. **8.00** **Gareth Malone's Great Choir Reunion** Gareth tracks down some of the singers from the Military Wives and the workplace choirs he formed in Sing While You Work, before rehearsals begin for reunion concert. **9.00** **FILM: The Sapphires** (2012) Premiere. Four Aboriginal Australian singers are propelled to stardom when they entertain American troops in the Vietnam War. Drama, starring Deborah Mailman and Chris O'Dowd. **10.40** **Live at the Apollo** Christmas Special 2015 Nina Conti hosts a special festive edition of the stand-up show. Last in the series. **11.10** **Jools' Annual Hootenanny 2015** With Tom Jones, Jess Glynne, Paul Weller, Hozier, James Bay and Jeff Beck. **1.10** **Best of Glastonbury 2015** 3.10 Sign Zone: Snow Chick: A Penguin's Tale **4.10** Back in Time for Christmas **5.10** This Is BBC Two



### ITV

**6.00** CITY 7.00 Good Morning Britain **8.30** Lorraine **9.25** Dickinson's Real Deal **10.30** Judge Rinder **11.30** Who's Doing the Dishes? **12.30** ITV Lunchtime News; Weather **12.40** **FILM: Dragonheart** (1996) Fantasy adventure, starring Dennis Quaid. **2.30** Dinosaur Britain **3.30** The Chase **4.30** Downton Abbey - The Finale **6.30** **ITV News London**; Weather **6.45** **ITV Evening News**; Weather **7.00** **Emmerdale** Andy is forced to make a confession to Robert, leading to a fateful encounter with Ross, and Bernice has a stressful time organising the Home Farm party. **8.00** **Coronation Street** Emily announces she is leaving for Peru. **8.30** **Panda Babies** Vet Steve Leonard visits three panda reserves in China, following the development of several of these endangered animals from newborn to one-year-old toddlers. **9.35** **Birds of a Feather** Sharon and Tracey discover Dorien has a big secret. **10.05** **Piers Meets Cilla Black** An interview with the entertainer, whose long career was marked by extraordinary highs tempered with tragic personal setbacks. **11.05** **The Nation's Favourite Bond Song** The stories behind 20 songs from the 007 movies. **11.55** **ITV News**; Weather; New Year's Songs **12.10** **The Nation's Favourite Bond Song 12.40** **FILM: Goldfinger** (1964) James Bond adventure, starring Sean Connery. **2.30** **ITV Nightscreen** **5.05** The Jeremy Kyle Show



### Channel 4

**6.40** **FILM: Explorers** (1985) Sci-fi adventure, starring Ethan Hawke. **8.40** The Big Bang Theory **9.35** The Simpsons **11.05** **FILM: Imagine That** (2009) Fantasy comedy, starring Eddie Murphy. **1.10** **FILM: The Rocketeer** (1991) Sci-fi adventure, starring Bill Campbell. **3.20** **FILM: Honey, I Shrunk the Kids** (1989) Disney comedy, starring Rick Moranis. **5.20** **Channel 4 News** **5.35** **Hollyoaks** **6.35** **Celebrity Couples Come Dine** with Me Union J singer Jaymi Hensley, TV presenter Gail Porter and ex-EastEnders actor Ricky Groves team up with their partners and compete to be the best dinner hosts. **7.30** **TFI New Year's Eve** Chris Evans prepares to welcome in the new year with a mix of celebrity chat, raucous stunts and music, with Oily Murs, Will Poulter, Sia and New Order. **9.00** **Alan Carr's New Year Spectacular** Alan Carr returns with his end-of-year show, inviting guests including David Guetta, Danny Dyer, Mel B, Greg Davies, Verne Troyer and Katherine Ryan to join in games and sketches. **11.10** **8 Out of 10 Cats End of Year Special** Host Jimmy Carr and team captains Jon Richardson and Sean Lock discuss and dissect the funniest stories that have made the headlines in 2015. **12.10** The Big Fat Quiz of the Year 2015 **2.10** Catastrophe **3.35** Gadget Man **4.00** Location, Location, Location **4.50** Deal or No Deal **5.40** **FILM: Mysterious Island** (1961) Adventure, starring Michael Craig and Herbert Lom.



### Channel 5

**6.00** Milkshake! **9.00** World's Strongest Man 2015 **9.50** **FILM: Carry On Teacher** (1959) Comedy, starring Ted Ray. **11.30** Sinatra 100: An All-Star Grammy Concert **1.50** **FILM: One Chance** (2013) Fact-based comedy drama, starring James Corden. **3.55** **FILM: The Wizard of Oz** (1939) Musical fantasy, starring Judy Garland. **6.00** **Loch Lomond: A Year in the Wild** Charting the effects of a mild winter at Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park, as red deer move to higher ground and salmon endure six months without food. Last in the series; **5** News Update **6.55** **World's Strongest Man 2015** Action from the final heat of the competition in Malaysia, as reigning Britain's Strongest Man Eddie Hall faced stiff competition from the likes of Mike Burke and Matjaz Belsak; **5** News Update **8.00** **Ben Fogle: New Lives in the Winter Wonderland** The adventurer travels to Alaska to visit a couple who hiked 4,000 miles to get to their new home, where they are now bringing up their children in a small village. **9.00** **Children's Best Loved Double Acts** A countdown of the nation's favourite duos from the worlds of TV, film, music, animation and sport, including the Two Ronnies, Morecambe & Wise and Ant and Dec. **11.55** **Most Shocking Christmas TV Moments** The most appalling Christmas television turkeys of all time. **1.55** SuperCasino **3.10** Loch Lomond: A Year in the Wild **4.00** Michaela's Wild Challenge **4.25** Divine Designs **4.50** House Doctor



### Movie Choices

**WHO FRAMED ROGER RABBIT** (1988) Comedy mixing live action and animation, set in a 1940s Hollywood where cartoon characters are real. A seedy private eye with a hatred of 'toons' reluctantly ends up helping to clear an animated rabbit accused of murdering his wife's human lover. Starring Bob Hoskins, Christopher Lloyd, Joanna Cassidy and Stubby Kaye. **Sky Movies Comedy** 10.50am-12.40pm **CINDERELLA** (2015) An orphaned girl is treated as a servant by her cruel stepmother and her two daughters. Romantic fantasy, starring Lily James and Cate Blanchett. **Sky Movies Premiere** 1.55-5.05pm **WHEN HARRY MET SALLY** (1989) A man and a woman with different attitudes to life meet by chance and develop a close and long-lasting friendship. But over time, a mutual sexual attraction begins to develop and threatens to ruin their relationship - raising the question whether men and women can ever really be just friends. Directed by Martin Scorsese and starring an Oscar-winning Robert De Niro alongside Joe Pesci and Cathy Moriarty. **Sky Movies Select** 10pm-12.55am **RAGING BULL** (1980) Biopic of boxer Jake LaMotta, who rose to fame as the world middleweight champion in the 1940s. His career was marred by an inability to deal with his anger, leaving his family bearing the brunt of his rage and paranoia. Directed by Martin Scorsese and starring an Oscar-winning Robert De Niro alongside Joe Pesci and Cathy Moriarty. **Sky Movies Select** 10pm-12.55am **of 2015** **6.45** **FILM: The Extra-Terrestrial** (1982) Sci-fi fantasy, with Henry Thomas. **9.00** **FILM: Quantum of Solace** (2008) James Bond thriller, starring Daniel Craig. **11.15** **Celebrity Juice: Bestest of the Unseen Bits** 12.15 **Celebrity Juice** 2.30 **Release the Hounds** 3.20 **The Almost Impossible Gameshow** 4.10 **Educating Joey Essex - General Election, What Are You Sayin'?** 5.00 **Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records** 5.50 **ITV2 Nightscreen**

### Satellite & Digital

**SKY1** 6.00 The Flash 8.00 Futurama 9.00 Wild Things 10.00 Modern Family 12.00 Futurama 12.30 Fungus the Boggymen 2.00 Terry Pratchett's The Colour of Magic 4.00 The Simpsons 4.30 Modern Family 6.30 Fungus the Boggymen 7.30 The Simpsons 8.00 Modern Family 9.00 Football's Funniest Moments 10.00 Bring the Noise 11.00 A League of Their Own 11.55 New Year's Eve Fireworks 12.10 Strike Back: Legacy

**2.00** The Last Ship **3.00** Road Wars **4.00** The Flash **SKY ATLANTIC** 6.00 Seinfeld **9.00** House **8.00** David Attenborough's Kingdom of Plants **9.00** Game of Thrones **11.05** Amy Schumer: Live at the Apollo **12.25** Louis CK: Oh My God **1.40** Bill Maher: Live from DC **2.55** Common Ground: Nell, Ted and Marlon **3.10** Common Ground: Barry **3.25** Richard E Grant's Hotel Secrets **BBC1** 6.00 **FILM: How to Train Your**

**Dragon** (2010) **8.30** **FILM: Toy Story 2** (1999) **10.00** Russell Howard's Good News **11.00** Family Guy **2.15** Russell Howard's Good News **3.15** Great Movie Mistakes **4.15** Revenge of the Fifth **3.30** Asian Provocateur **4.00** Close **BBC4** 7.00 Canals - The Making of a Nation **9.00** Sinatra: All or Nothing at All **10.55** **FILM: Made in Dagenham** (2010) Fact-based comedy drama, starring Sally Hawkins. **12.40** David Bowie and the Story of Ziggy Stardust **1.40** Queens of

**Disco** **2.40** Disco at the BBC **3.40** Close **ITV2** 6.00 Totally Bonkers Guinness World Records: Bonkingly Big Hits **6.30** The X Factor Winner's Story **2015** **7.40** Emmerdale **8.05** Coronation Street **8.30** Britain's Got More Talent: David's Top Ten Moments **9.25** The Almost Impossible Gameshow **10.25** **FILM: Arthur and the Great Adventure** (2009) **12.30** Emmerdale **1.00** Coronation Street **1.30** The Jeremy Kyle Show **4.45** Catchphrase **5.45** Luke Kempner's Impression

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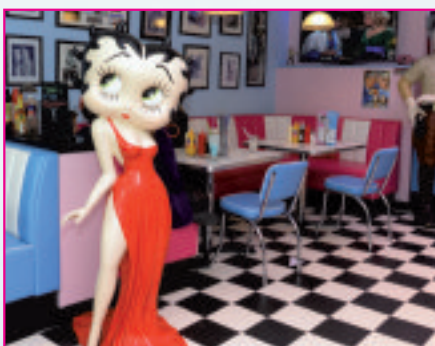
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**TWO TO TANGO:**  
Vincent Simone  
and Flavia  
Cacace

By **LIZ WADE**

STRICTLY Come Dancing stars, Vincent Simone and Flavia Cacace, are touring the country on their final ever theatre tour.

Their most moving production – The Last Tango – hit the road last month and will soon be treating audiences to eight unforgettable performances at the Cliffs Pavilion, Southend, from Tuesday to Saturday, January 26 to 30, 2016.

Vincent and Flavia have danced together

for 20 years, but it is now time for them to say goodbye to touring in this thrilling, new, live performance.

Fresh from their sell-out hit shows – Midnight Tango and Dance 'Til Dawn – they have created their most moving production yet as an ultimate farewell show.

Flavia said: "This is our third show and we have been touring for up to six years, doing seven to eight shows a week, in a different venue each week. It's a lot of touring.

"We said, if we have three successful

shows we would be very happy with that. Three is a good number and people have enjoyed all three."

"It's been going really well," adds Flavia. "Obviously, when you put on a brand new show together you don't know how it will be received. It has had an absolutely brilliant reception. It makes it all worthwhile."

As well as touring itself being hard work, Flavia says there is also a lot of work getting the show on the road in the first place.

She says: "Putting a show together is the

hardest part, coming up with the story and the ideas. Then you have four weeks with the cast members, to teach them the show and put everything together. They are very long days. Then it's straight into rehearsals.

"By the time we get into the theatre we are shattered. Before you know it you have an audience in front of you."

Flavia began dancing when her mum took her and her sister to a dance school in Guildford when she was five.

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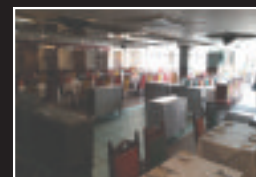
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## film review



Pictured: Chewbacca (Peter Mayhew) and Han Solo (Harrison Ford)

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# Ready, Jedi, GO!

## STAR WARS EPISODE VII: THE FORCE AWAKENS (12A, 135 mins)

THE nail-biting wait is almost over. More than 10 years after Anakin Skywalker was seduced by the dark side of the Force and wielded a light sabre in battle against his mentor Obi-Wan Kenobi in Star Wars Episode III: Revenge Of The Sith, the seventh chapter of George Lucas' sprawling saga lands in a whirlwind of frenzied hype. Director JJ Abrams, who revitalised the Star Trek franchise, sits in the director's chair for this new instalment, which is set approximately 30 years after the tumultuous events of Return Of The Jedi.

Miraculously, plot details have remained under a veil of secrecy since the film began shooting in April 2014, and Abrams has masterminded a

refreshingly restrained marketing campaign that has propelled ardent fans on social media to the brink of meltdown with each tantalising behind-the-scenes photograph or trailer.

The omission of one major character from advertising material sparked endless 140 character-long theories and debate, posing uncomfortable questions about the fates of iconic protagonists since the Rebel Alliance celebrated a famous victory over the Imperial fleet and destroyed the Death Star.

Han Solo (Harrison Ford), Luke Skywalker (Mark Hamill) and Princess Leia (Carrie Fisher) - now referred to as General Organa - bear the deep emotional scars of their encounters with the dark side of the Force, which is led by Supreme Leader Snoke (Andy Serkis) and his dangerous and unpredictable protege, Kylo

Ren (Adam Driver).

This battle royale brings together new heroes and villains including scavenger Rey (Daisy Ridley) from the desert planet Jakku, First Order stormtrooper Finn (John Boyega) who possesses an important artefact, and fearless Resistance X-wing pilot Poe Dameron (Oscar Isaac).

Their fates entwine with pirate and canteen owner Maz Kanata (Lupita Nyong'o), ruthless First Order base leader General Hux (Domhnall Gleeson) and beloved sidekicks Chewbacca (Peter Mayhew), C-3PO (Anthony Daniels) and R2-D2 (Kenny Baker).

Prepare for record-breaking box office takings and gnashing of teeth as plot spoilers leak online following the film's world premiere on December 14 in Los Angeles.

The Force is still strong.

**Released: December 17**

## Stage

# Final tour for Vincent and Flavia

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After working her way up through many exams, it was when she was 14 that one of the teachers suggested she go into competitive dancing. She danced with two other partners for around a year each before being introduced to Vincent, who had moved to Guildford when he was 17. Vincent, whose parents both professionally teach Ballroom and Latin, had also been teaching dancing in Italy since the age of 12.

During their 20 year career together, Vincent and Flavia's titles have included UK Professional Ten Dance champions 2002-2006; UK Professional Show Dance champions 2003-2006; UK Argentine Tango champions 2006 - the first time the competition has ever been held; World Argentine Tango Show champions 2005/2006; UK Ballroom champions for several years; and World and European Ten Dance and Show Dance finalists 2002-2006.

In 2006 they moved away from competitions and into recurring roles on BBC's Strictly Come Dancing from the fourth series onwards, and in 2008 and 2009, Vincent and Flavia took part in the Strictly Come Dancing live tour and, before hitting the road with Strictly Come Dancing - the Professionals UK tour at the beginning of 2010.

In 2012, Vincent reached the finals of Strictly Come Dancing performing with Dani Harmer, whilst Flavia and Louis Smith won the series and took home the much-prized glitterball.

Having achieved so much so far, have there been any highlights for Flavia?

"We have been doing so many things," she said: "We met when we were 16/17 and competing in competitions was pretty much what we did in life."

"Then we were in the studio and on Strictly. We have done way too many things to pick just one."

"Being on stage and having three theatre productions would be among them."

So what can audiences expect with from The Last Tango? Flavia says: "We have always tried to come back with a different show. We want them to come and be entertained each time in a different way."

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While the tour will be the last, their partnership will continue into the new year and beyond.

"We would love to get a West End show," adds Flavia. "It's always lovely to be performing in London. We have various options at the moment. We're just going to have a little think over the Christmas break."

"For further information and tickets to see The Last Tango call the Cliffs Pavilion box office on 01702 351135 or visit [southendtheatres.org.uk](http://southendtheatres.org.uk)



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- A Caroling Christmas - The Orpheus Singers, Crowstone United Reformed Church, Westcliff, SS0 8LH, 5.30. Tickets 01702 467052.
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**Sunday, December 20**

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- Scrabble Club - Wesley Church Hall, Elm Road, Leigh Broadway, (opp police station), beginners welcome, no partner needed, 7-10pm, £3, call 01268 727915.

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- Magic: The Gathering Club - play and trade, beginners welcome, Laindon Community Centre, SS15 6NX, 6-10pm email: [BasildonMTG@hotmail.com](mailto:BasildonMTG@hotmail.com).
- Parent and Toddler Messy Play Group - Buttercup Club, St Michael's and All Angels Church, Sir Walter Raleigh Drive, Rayleigh, 9.30am and 11am. 01702 712150.
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- Yoga Class - Thorpedene Community Centre, Delaware Road, Shoeburyness, 7-8.30pm, £6, bring a blanket and yoga mat, ages 16-plus. 07961 314983.
- Social Dance Class - with instruction, in ballroom, Latin American and sequence, 8.30-10.30pm, Ashington & East Hawkswell Memorial Hall. 01702 546219/542349.
- Table Tennis - 7.30-10.30pm, The Megacentre, 7 Brook Road, Rayleigh, £3.60 per session.
- Weekly Craft Group - Oasis Coffee House, 189 Leigh Road, Leigh, 2.30-4pm. No charge. Emma 01702 471873.
- Willows Park Short Mat Bowls Club requires new or experienced players - James Hornsby School, Laindon. First session free, call or text 07952 043456.
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(VICTORIA STATION PARKING MANAGEMENT SCHEME (ZONE V))  
(WAITING RESTRICTIONS, PARKING BAYS AND PERMIT PARKING ZONE)  
ORDER 2012 (AS AMENDED) (AMENDMENT NO. 1) ORDER 2015  
Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984

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R TINLIN  
Chief Executive & Town Clerk

Civic Centre, Victoria Avenue,  
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Dated: 17th December 2015

### SCHEDULE 1 – ADDITIONS

Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Various Roads) (Consolidation of Waiting Restrictions) Order 2006 – Schedule 8 – Waiting Limited to 2 or More Hours

Amend the existing Limited Waiting Times in Sutton Road from 1 Hour No Return in 4 Hours to 2 Hours No Return in 4 Hours 9am - 6pm Monday to Saturday

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Southend-on-Sea Borough Council (Various Roads) (Consolidation of Waiting Restrictions) Order 2006

Schedule 6 – Waiting Limited to 1 Hour  
Page 19, Item Nos 3205 & 3206 Page 20, Item Nos 3203 & 3204

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## DRAW FOR SICK LIST HAMMERS

### West Ham

**West Ham United 0-0 Stoke City**  
**Brian Jeeves reporting from Upton Park**

INJURY hit West Ham United picked up a useful Barclays Premier League point from this goalless, but otherwise entertaining encounter with Stoke City.

With their casualty list continuing to lengthen, even the most optimistic of Hammers fans could see this was going to be a tough afternoon. New Zealand international Winston Reid being the latest casualty, joining a week previous. Dimitri Payet, Diafra Sakho, Victor Moses and Manuel Lanzini on the Upton Park treatment table.

Nevertheless, despite having not tasted a Premier League victory in five outings, West Ham would have taken heart from a battling performance, and a point against Manchester United at Old Trafford.

Visitors Stoke City, under the guidance of Mark Hughes, arrived in East London in a bullish mood having impressively dispatched Manchester City at the Britannia Stadium, with Austrian striker Marko Arnautovic having taken the plaudits with a virtuoso display in scoring both of the Potters goals.

But it was West Ham who started

the brighter, and came close to opening the scoring when Cheikhou Kouyate's fierce drive was beaten away by Jack Buckland.

Seconds later the Potters England international keeper did well to cling to Michail Antonio's piledriver as the Hammers probed for an early opener. Meanwhile, Stoke went close when Marco van Ginkel was a whisker away from making contact with Ibrahim Afellay's delicious centre.

The visitors went even closer when van Ginkel somehow managed to fire wide from close range, this after more great flank play from Afellay.

Stoke had settled, and should have taken the lead when Arnautovic directed agonisingly the wrong side of an upright after former Hammers favourite Glen Johnson had picked him out. Indeed, an air of unease had taken hold of the Boleyn faithful as their charges struggled to make any real headway against a resolute Potters rearguard.

The Hammers rallied, but Buckland was equal to James Collins' goalbound effort following a melee in the Stoke box.

The home side went even closer when Erik Pieters managed to deflect Michail Antonio's effort over after Cresswell had delivered from the left.

After the break West Ham turned the screw. Collins went close to tuning home Mauro Zarate's pinpoint flag-kick, while Buckland scrambled Andy Carroll's diving header to safety.

Buckland continued to frustrate the Hammers, this time palming away Antonio's attempted scissor-kick. At the other end Arnautovic tested Adrian, but the Spaniard was handily placed to rebuff the effort.

Stoke came desperately close to grabbing the lead when Arnautovic's deflected dead-ball effort cannoned back off the bar, Bojan uncharacteristically firing the rebound high into the stand.

The end-to-end nature of the contest continued. Buckland produced a brilliant one-handed save as Cresswell's strike looked set for the top corner of the Potters net, while Adrian used his feet to deny Arnautovic after Bojan had slipped him in.

In the closing stages Zarate's thundering strike beat Buckland, but much to the home crowds anguish came back off the foot of the post. Then Buckland needed every inch of his frame to tip over Kouyate's outrageous free-kick from all of 35-yards.

But Stoke almost snatched it when substitute Mame Biram Diouf shot straight at Adrian after Bojan had once again crafted the opening.

Deep into stoppage time Johnson denied West Ham what would have been a dramatic winner, nodding Kouyate's header off the line after James Tomkins had hooked back into the danger zone.

Speaking after the game, a satisfied Slaven Bilic stated: "It was a very entertaining draw, and an entertaining game. It was full of energy, high tempo and both teams defend-

ed really well.

"You had to create something really special to open the gate and find that space, to get a clear cut chance, both teams have done that from the counter attacks and the set pieces.

"It was a very good game, it could have ended 1-1 or 2-2, with a little bit of luck we could have won this game, but so could they. It was a fair result."

Stoke City chief Mark Hughes said: "I think it was a close game, I think as 0-0's go there was plenty of incident. Somebody told me there were 30-odd attempts on goal between both teams. I think as 0-0's go it was a reasonable spectacle, I think we certainly played our part in that.

"All in all it was a decent game, a different test for us today in comparison to last week."

West Ham United are next in Barclays Premier League action on Sunday December 20, when they visit the Liberty Stadium to face Swansea City (4pm).

**West Ham United:** Adrian, Aaron Cresswell, Alex Song (Enner Valencia), James Tomkins, Cheikhou Kouyate, Andy Carroll, Mauro Zarate, Mark Noble (Capt), James Collins, Angelo Ogbonna, Michail Antonio (Nikica Jelavic). Subs not used: Darren Randolph, Carl Jenkinson, Pedro Obiang, Reece Oxford, Josh Cullen.

**Stoke City:** Jack Buckland, Erik Pieters, Glenn Whelan, Glen Johnson, Marko Arnautovic, Ibrahim Afellay (Jonathan Walters), Marco van Ginkel (Mame Biram Diouf), Ryan Shawcross (Capt), Geoff Cameron (Charlie Adam), Philipp Wollscheid, Bojan Krkic. Subs not used: Jakob Haugaard, Phil Bardsley, Mato Joseslu, Marc Wilson.

**Referee:** Andre Marriner

**Assistants:** S Ledger and E Smart

**Fourth Official:** K Hill

**Attendance:** 34,857

### Non-league round-up

## Trophy woe for region's teams

By Brian Jeeves

IT proved to be a difficult afternoon for our local teams competing in the first round proper of the FA Trophy.

Chelmsford City took the lead at Cheltenham Town through Billy Bricknell. However, it was the former Football League outfit who made progress after Rob Dickie's hat trick earned the Robins a 3-1 victory.

Tilbury found themselves 4-0 down to National League's Welling United after an hour of their game at Chadfields. And despite a brave fightback that saw Jack Carlile, Kurt Smith and Daniel Glazier score in the final eight minutes, it was the Kent side who held out to win by the odd goal in seven.

East Thurrock United completed a miserable Trophy day after crashing 4-1 to Maidenhead United at Rookery Hill. Kye Ruel had briefly brought the Rocks level with a goal on the stroke of half time.

And it was an equally frustrating afternoon for out Ryman Premier League clubs, with only Billericay Town tasting success. Joe Ellul, Teddy Nesbitt and Onome Sodje were on target as Town extended their unbeaten run to eight games with a 3-1 win over Hendon at New Lodge.

Brentwood Town picked up a useful point from a 0-0 draw at Metropolitan Police, while Harrison Chatting and Martin Tuohy were on target for Canvey Island at Burgess Hill Town, but the Gulls went down 3-2. And it was a defeat for Grays Athletic who crashed 3-1 at Hampton & Richmond Borough.

In the League One North Great Wakering Rovers played out an entertaining 2-2 draw with Harlow Town at Burroughs Park. Bradley Vaughan and Billy Johnson grabbed the villagers goals, this after Harlow had earlier led 2-0. And it was the same outcome at Mill Field where Aveley and Dereham Town shared four goals. Billy Holland and David Fallah with the Millers goals.

Barkingside held on for a point from their goalless draw with Brightlingsea Regent at Cricklefield Stadium. Side were forced to play more than an hour with ten men following the dismissal of Paul Wright. Elsewhere Romford went down 3-1 at home to Cheshunt.

Hullbridge Sports made further progress in the FA Vase, winning an Essex derby with Stanway Rovers 2-0 at Lower Road. FC Romania are also in the hat after a 2-0 win at Hertford Town. But it's the end of the Wembley dream for Basildon United who went down 4-0 at AFC Dunstable.

In the Essex Senior League Burnham Ramblers saw off London Bari by three goals to nil at Leslie Field, while Clapton ended a miserable recent run with a resounding 4-1 win over Waltham Forest at the Old Spotted Dog. Barking were the ESL's big winners, hammering Stansted 5-0 on their travels, while Takeley took the points after a 3-0 win over Ilford.

Selected action in the ProKit UK Essex Olympian League saw White Ensign win their Premier League clash with Han-nakins Farm at the Len Forge Centre.

Old Chelmsfordians went down 2-0 to Canning Town in Division One, while in Division Two Catholic United saw off Rochford Town by four goals to one.

## Saxons learn a hard lesson in comedy of errors

### Rugby

**Southend Saxons 11 Cambridge 33**  
A COMBINATION of errors and poor decision making decided the game against Cambridge.

They are riding high in the league this year and both their excellent defence and sharp backs made life difficult for the Saxons.

Despite playing with a strong breeze at their backs Southend rarely reached the visitor's 20 metre line and when they did a knock on or a forward pass lost them possession. Another harsh yellow card for Kris Chesney didn't help.

Bradley Burr's boot kept them in the game after Cambridge scored a well worked converted try from their fly half Boshoff. Burr had kicked two penalties, but was instructed to kick for the line when he had a straight forward kick for a third. Possession was lost and three points went begging.

Cambridge added another unconverted try by second row Moon just before half time following another



**HARD GOING: Action from the game**

mistake taking the score to 6-12.

Saxons controlled much of the play for the first 30 minutes of the second half but had little to show for it as the Cambridge defence held firm.

During this period Southend had lost Bevans-Royston to a yellow card and Cambridge scored another try with almost their first taste of possession

against 14 men. 6-19.

Southend kept pressing and were rewarded with a penalty. Burr's kick to touch took them five meters out, but the then a speculative throw to the back of the lineout through the swirling wind flew miles wide and they lost possession again.

Eventually Saxons' endeavour was rewarded when their marauding

back row Harry Hudson stormed over in the corner. Burrs good kick against the wind just sailed wide but they had closed the gap at 11-19.

But any momentum gained was immediately dashed when Cambridge's long hard downwind re-start kick was spilled and knocked on. It looked as if it might have gone dead if it had not been gathered.

Cambridge quickly took advantage of the territory gained and scored another converted try through replacement Steve Hipwell 11-26.

Saxon heads dropped and Cambridge took control of the last ten minutes adding another bonus point try before the whistle went for full time. Boshoff converted it for a comprehensive score of 11-33.

Southend, Bury and Barnes are now all on 32 points with Worthing and Dorking hot on their heels. Next weeks away trip to fourth place Bishop Stortford beckons, so Southend have a lot to work on this week if they are going to bring anything home to Warners Park.

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